

Memorandum



Date: September 4, 2024

Agenda Item No. 3(B)(3)

To: Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Daniella Levine Cava
Mayor

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Daniella Levine Cava".

Resolution No. R-732-24

Subject: Resolution Retroactively Approving the Submittal of a Grant Application to the Florida Department of Transportation for up to \$8,136,881.37 for 2023 Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail Program Biscayne-Everglades Trail, Homestead to Everglades Connection

Executive Summary

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) retroactively approve the submittal of a grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail grant program in the amount of \$8,136,881.37 in funding to support the construction activities of a 4.5-mile segment of the Biscayne-Everglades Trail, between West Mowry Drive at SW 192 Avenue and the intersection of the C-113 and C-111 Canals, west of Homestead.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board retroactively approve the submittal of a grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation 2023 Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail Program funds in the amount of \$8,136,881.37 for the Biscayne-Everglades Trail, Homestead to Everglades Connection. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to receive and expend funds and execute grant agreements upon review and final approval of the County Attorney's Office.

Scope

The 4.5-mile segment of the Biscayne Trail is between West Mowry Drive at SW 192 Avenue and the intersection of the C-113 and C-111 Canals, west of Homestead, FL. The proposed route follows West Mowry Drive and SW 197 Avenue then parallel to the C-113 Canal westward to the C-111 Canal. The design and implementation of this segment will be coordinated with the City of Homestead's segment to the east within County Commission District 9, which is represented by Commissioner Kionne L. McGhee.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The County's estimate for the Biscayne-Everglades Trail-Homestead to Everglades Connection project is \$10,840,855.48. If awarded, FDOT will provide funds up to \$8,136,881.37. Match funding in the amount of \$2,703,974.11 will come from Park Impact Fees, as authorized within the Department's Multi-Year Capital Plan program titled Local Park Development-Park Benefit District No. 2.

Track Record/Monitor

PROS has been awarded \$4,379,462.00 in funds through FDOT's SUN Trail Program in the past seven years. The proposed grant will be administered by PROS Grants Supervisor Dorothy Mills-Mayers.

Delegation of Authority

This item authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute grant award agreements, amendments and other documents the grant requires, following approval by the County Attorney's Office as to legal sufficiency; provided however that the County Mayor or Mayor's designee are only delegated the authority to execute amendments that do not have an additional fiscal impact on the County and that otherwise are for projects eligible under the Florida Department of Transportation. The Board authorizes the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to receive and expend all monies for the purposes described in the funding request for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Background

This request is for funding to support the construction and construction, engineering and inspection (CEI) services activities of a 4.5-mile segment of the Biscayne Trail. Administered by FDOT, the SUN Trail program provides funding for closing gaps in the statewide system of paved non-motorized for bicyclists and pedestrians (SUN Trail network). This SUN Trail network is a refined version of the Florida Greenways and Trails System (FGTS) Plan's Land Trail Priority network; it includes high priority (strategic) trail corridors and connections. The application was due December 20, 2023, and was submitted December 15, 2023. There was insufficient time from the opportunity announcement to the grant deadline to obtain a resolution, and an adopted resolution was not required by the funding agency for the application submittal. If awarded, the prioritized project will be programmed into the FDOT 5-Year Work Program.



Jimmy Morales
Chief Operating Officer



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: September 4, 2024

FROM: 
Gen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 3(B)(3)

Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Statement of social equity required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☒ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, or CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c)(2) ____ to approve
- ☒ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. R-732-24

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHARED-USE NONMOTORIZED (SUN) TRAIL PROGRAM FOR \$8,136,881.37 SUPPORTING CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION, ENGINEERING AND INSPECTION (CEI) ACTIVITIES FOR A 4.5-MILE SEGMENT OF THE BISCAYNE TRAIL, BETWEEN WEST MOWRY DRIVE AT SW 192 AVENUE AND THE INTERSECTION OF THE C-113 AND C-111 CANALS, WEST OF HOMESTEAD, FL. THE DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SEGMENT WILL BE COORDINATED WITH THE CITY OF HOMESTEAD'S SEGMENT TO THE EAST; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND FUNDS AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS, AMENDMENTS, AND OTHER DOCUMENTS AS REQUIRED BY THE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. This Board retroactively approves the submission of an application to the Florida Department of Transportation shared-use nonmotorized (SUN) Trail Program for funds up to \$8,136,881.37. The County will provide up to \$2,703,974.11 in matching funds from Park Impact Fees, as authorized within the Department's Multi-year Capital Plan program titled Local Park Development-Park Benefit District (PBD) No. 2.

Section 2. The Board authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to accept and expend funds and execute contracts, amendments, and other documents as required by the grant, upon review and final approval of the County Attorney's Office. A copy of the Florida Department of Transportation grant application is on file with the Parks, Recreation and Open

Spaces Department and available for inspection upon request. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall be required to seek Board approval for any approvals, consents, actions, events or undertakings that would create a financial obligation, cost or expense to the County beyond those specifically identified and set forth in the Agreement.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Marleine Bastien**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Raquel A. Regalado** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Chairman	aye		
Anthony Rodríguez, Vice-Chairman	aye		
Marleine Bastien	aye	Juan Carlos Bermudez	aye
Kevin Marina Cabrera	aye	Sen. René Garcia	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon	aye
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye	Eileen Higgins	aye
Kionne L. McGhee	aye	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of September, 2024. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.



MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: **Basia Pruna**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Melanie J. Spencer