

RESOLUTION NO. 98-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THROUGH THE PALM BEACH TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY FOR FUNDING UNDER A LOCAL INITIATIVES GRANT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF COMPLETE STREETS DESIGN ON PARKER AVENUE FROM FOREST HILL BOULEVARD TO NOTTINGHAM BOULEVARD; AGREEING TO FUND THE CITY'S SHARE OF PROJECT DELIVERY AND THE ONGOING MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS EXPENSES OF THE PROJECT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of West Palm Beach desires to apply to the Florida Department of Transportation, through the Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency (TPA), for grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 from the Local Initiatives (LI) Program as reimbursement for a portion of the costs of construction of the complete streets design for Parker Avenue from Forest Hill Boulevard to Nottingham Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to make the proposed improvements to Parker Avenue in order to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists in this area, and as part of the City's efforts to create "Complete Streets" which accommodate the needs of different users. The scope of work consists of widening of Parker Avenue, from Forest Hill Boulevard to Nottingham Boulevard, to provide complete streets design with emphasis on bicycle facilities and improving pedestrian accessibility to schools and other community services (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, this Project is identified on the draft bicycle masterplan and the City's capital improvement plan projects list; and

WHEREAS, the Project will be constructed completely within the right-of-way of the City of West Palm Beach; and

WHEREAS, this Project will enhance safety for all modes of transportation and will significantly improve the aesthetics which serves as a gateway to the City. In addition, lighting and landscaping is proposed to enhance the quality of life and safety of our community; and

WHEREAS, the TPA's Local Initiatives grant program provides funding for bicycle and pedestrian facilities; and

WHEREAS, if the Project is granted a Local Initiatives grant, the City shall be required to appropriate such funds as necessary to design, permit, perform utility work and manage the construction, and to be reimbursed for construction costs; and to appropriate funds for the continued maintenance of the Project.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, that:

SECTION 1: The City Commission of the City of West Palm Beach, Florida, finds that widening Parker Avenue, from Forest Hill Boulevard to Nottingham Boulevard, to provide complete streets design with emphasis on bicycle facilities and improving pedestrian accessibility to schools and other community services (the “Project”) will encourage alternative modes of transportation while contributing to the overall City’s sustainability goals, and expand the City’s transportation network.

SECTION 2: The City Commission hereby authorizes submittal to the Florida Department of Transportation, through the Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency, of an application for a Local Initiatives (LI) grant requesting funding in an amount up to \$5,000,000 for the Project.

SECTION 3: If the Project is funded by the TPA, the City Commission agrees to appropriate such funds as may be necessary to design, perform the utility work and manage the construction of the Project, and to be reimbursed for eligible construction costs associated with the Project.

SECTION 4: If the Project is funded by the TPA, the City Commission agrees to appropriate such funds as may be necessary for the continued operation and maintenance of the Project.

SECTION 5: Upon award of such grant, approval of the grant agreement, along with any financial resolution to accept the grant funds, will be brought back to the City Commission, in accordance with the Grant Policy.

SECTION 6: The City Clerk shall provide a certified copy of this Resolution to the Director of Engineering Services for submittal with the grant application.

SECTION 7: This Resolution shall take effect in accordance with law.

[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 23RD DAY OF APRIL, 2018.



ATTEST:

X *Hazeline F. Carson*

CITY CLERK
Signed by: Hazeline F Carson

**CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH BY
ITS CITY COMMISSION:**

X *Geraldine Muoio*

PRESIDING OFFICER
Signed by: Geraldine Muoio

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGALITY:**

4/20/2018

X *Nancy Urcheck*

CITY ATTORNEY
Signed by: Nancy DeSimone Urcheck