

City of Delray Beach



Legislation Text

File #: 19-467, Version: 1

TO: Mayor and Commissioners

FROM: Caryn Gardner-Young, Acting Public Works Director

THROUGH: Neal de Jesus, Interim City Manager

DATE: April 16, 2019

APPROVE THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2018/19 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH AND THE DELRAY BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR FUNDING TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR APRIL 30, 2019 UP TO JUNE 30, 2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,000

Recommended Action:

Motion to approve the Second Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between the City of Delray Beach (City) and the Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) for Funding of Transportation Services for operations of the Downtown Roundabout for up to two months in the amount of \$80,000 beginning on May 1, 2019 and ending on June 30, 2019.

Background:

In 2006, the City of Delray Beach (City) and the Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) entered into an interlocal agreement in which the CRA agreed to contribute to the cost for a local shuttle bus service. The City established the Downtown Roundabout local shuttle bus service utilizing Trolleys and has operated every year since 2006. The free Trolley operates from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on weekdays and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekends. There are two Trolleys operating on one route, which has 23 stops in total between the Tri-Rail station on Congress Avenue and the Municipal Beach through the downtown business core.

In September 2018, the City was notified that the CRA would no longer fund the Downtown Roundabout. Since the City did not include funding in the City's 2018/2019 budget, operations of the Downtown Roundabout ceased as of October 1, 2018. In the time since the Downtown Roundabout stopped operating, the City and City Commission have received concerns including, but not limited to, that employees cannot get to work and the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and business community stressed that tourists would not have access to trolley services previously provided. As a result, the CRA reconsidered the funding of the Downtown Roundabout, entering into an ILA with the City that states that funding will be reinstituted as of November 1, 2018 for three months with the right to renew for an additional three months. On April 9, 2019, the CRA Board of Commissioners voted to extend the funding for the Downtown Roundabout for an additional two months in the amount of \$80,000 to allow the CRA time to finalize an agreement with Downtowner, LLC and provide for a marketing / transition plan for the launch of a new downtown transportaion service provider and vehicles.

Attachments

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- 1. Interlocal Agreement
- 2. Legal Review Checklist

City Attorney Review:

City Attorney .

Funding Source/Financial Impact:

The Downtown Roundabout Trolley is being replaced by a new service provider managed by the CRA, which will not be ready to begin providing service on May 1, 2019. The City did not fund the Trolley Service in the FY 18/19 budget. If the Second Amendment to the ILA is not approved, there will be no available funding to operate the Downtown Roundabout Trolley Service beyond April 30, 2019.

Timing of Request:

This request is a time-sensitive approval of funding to maintain service until June 30, 2019.