



## Memorandum

**Memorandum No: 24-112**

**Date:** June 24, 2024

**To:** Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

**From:** Susan Grant, Acting City Manager *Susan Grant*

**Re:** FY25 Small Matching Grants for Architectural Resource Surveys and Sailboat Bend Historic District Educational Signage

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In June 2023 the City applied for two Small Matching Grants from the Florida Department of State's Division of Historical Resources to obtain funding for an Architectural Resource Survey as well as educational signage for the Sailboat Bend Historic District. Staff has been notified that the City has been awarded \$50,000 for each project for a total of \$100,000. This will allow the City to procure the services of an external qualified professional to move forward with each of these initiatives. As a Certified Local Government (CLG), the City of Fort Lauderdale is not required to provide matching funds.

For the Architectural Resource Survey project, the neighborhoods of Coral Ridge, Dolphin Isles, Bal Harbour, and Lauderdale Isles have been selected. This effort will create a historic context narrative for the selected areas and will include the identification of potential historic districts within each neighborhood as well as identify potential individual resources. Architectural Resource Surveys primarily act as a planning tool to provide adequate data to make informed decisions, but most importantly, it documents the City's history and contributes important data into a repository of historical information. As a Certified Local Government, there is a commitment by the City to protect its historic resources and provide continuous improvement to historic preservation efforts, including the identification of historic properties within the jurisdiction.

For the educational signage project, using the historic context narrative and the History Story Map that were developed for the Sailboat Bend Historic District Architectural Resource Survey Update, a walking tour and associated interpretive signage is to be created and placed strategically throughout the neighborhood. Funds would be used to hire a consultant to utilize the information available, collaborate with the City of Fort Lauderdale as well as the residents of the Sailboat Bend Historic District to identify locations for placement, to develop a walking tour and the design of all signage, and for the cost to fabricate and install the signs.

Acceptance of a Grant Award Agreements will be scheduled for a City Commission Regular Meeting in August or September, with an anticipated start date for these projects in January 2025.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Trisha Logan, Principal Urban Planner, at 954-828-7101 or via email at [tlogan@fortlauderdale.gov](mailto:tlogan@fortlauderdale.gov).

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