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MEMORANDUM

June 6, 2018

TO:

City Commission

THRU:

Greg Harrison, City Manager

Brian Donovan, Assistant City Manager

FROM:

Horacio Danovich, CIP Manager

<u>Issue</u>

Staff is seeking City Commission approval of a Resolution to enter into an Agreement with Broward County pertaining to a grant in the sum of \$10,000.00 to help offset costs of proposed artwork at the entrance to the Fishing Pier (see Location Map).

Recommendation

Staff recommends Approval of the Resolution.

Background

In September 2017, Broward County Commission staff approached the City to verify our interest in receiving Park Bond funds for improvements/enhancements at a City Park. County Commission indicated the desired target area would be along the beachfront and that the City may be able to use the funds to purchase large landscape, equipment, a piece of artwork, park benches, etc. Staff was informed the possible funding would be up to \$10,000. In November 2017, the County Commission approved the allocation and distribution of \$10,000.00 to the City from the Park Bond Program.

Subsequently, staff met with the Pier Developers and CRA. As the City Commission may recall, the Pier Developer agreed to install artwork in and around the same area. Staff believed the Pier Developer's artwork could be supplemented by another artistic element, and the CRA may be willing to assist with additional funding as well.

Over the ensuing months, staff worked with Development Services, City Attorney and County staff on a product that would meet the criteria. Development Services assisted presenting ideas to the Public Art Committee (PAC) and Pier Developer. In the end, and



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upon receiving full support from PAC, staff recommended moving forward with two (2) benches, one at each side of the arch, similar in nature to those shown on pages 21-24 of the Grant Funds Agreement. Staff envisions the benches will be constructed in a material similar to that used by the Pier Developer for his arch, which is shown on pages 19-20. The Pompano Fish would be the center element in the design and the benches are expected to be built by the same artist the Pier Developer plans to engage.

Staff believes the benches would be a nice addition to the arch and preliminary costs analysis for similar benches indicate a \$10,000 to \$15,000 budget should be adequate. As a result, the County's grant may be sufficient. If not, the CRA has agreed to pay the difference. Staff anticipates the artwork could be completed in time for the Fishing Pier Gran Opening event in March 2019.

County and City legal staff worked tirelessly to put together the agreement. The agreement stipulates the City must comply with the requirements of the Park Bond Program and artwork/product must remain in place for 25 years. Considering the City and CRA's investment in the vicinity of the Pier, and the Pier Developer's commitment to develop a first class destination, staff feels confident that the artwork can be displayed for the stipulated term and the citizens of Pompano Beach can enjoy it for years to come.

Staff recommends approval.