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TO: Chair and Members of the Board

FROM: Samuel A. May, Executive Director

DATE: July 10, 2018

RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF MCRA RESOLUTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MARGATE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (MCRA) AND THE CITY OF MARGATE FOR LANDSCAPING AND IRRIGATION SERVICES OF US 441/SR 7

BACKGROUND:

The City of Margate and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) have executed on July 16, 2008 (Exhibit 1), and subsequent Amendment One on July 10, 2009 (Exhibit 2), an Inclusive Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement for State Roads. In this Agreement the City of Margate commits to maintain various State Roads including State Road 7 (US 441).

Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, known as the "Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969" authorizes local governments to make the most efficient use of their powers by enabling them to cooperate with other localities on a basis of mutual advantage and thereby to provide services and facilities that would harmonize geographic, economic, population and other factors influencing the needs and developments of local communities.

The majority of the medians along State Road 7/US 441 have been maintained by the Margate CRA for an annual cost of \$31,185 (fertilization, pruning, pesticide and herbicide treatment, mulch, litter and debris removal for the area are additional costs). However, Staff has been unable to locate an interlocal agreement between the City and the MCRA for this purpose.

In an effort to provide accountability and transparency on all MCRA tasks and expenditures, Staff is recommending the approval of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Margate and the Margate Community Redevelopment Agency (Exhibit 3) for the maintenance of irrigation and landscaping associated with the medians along State Road 7/US 441 within the CRA's Redevelopment Area. The agreement serves both a municipal and public purpose, is consistent with and furthers the CRA's Redevelopment Plan, and is consistent with the requirements of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes.

Further, the MCRA, in collaboration with the City's Purchasing Division, is working on the release of a request for proposals (RFP) to engage a company that will provide landscape and irrigation services to the Agency. The existing agreement with current vendor is coming to an end at the conclusion of present Fiscal Year. The RFP will be issued within the upcoming weeks and vendor shall be awarded to begin working in the new Fiscal Year 2018-2019. MCRA Staff will present the proposed Interlocal Agreement to the City Commission for consideration during the meeting of July 11, 2018.

RECOMMENDATION: To approve

FISCAL IMPACT: MCRA currently compensating landscaping company \$31,185 annually plus related costs.

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