

Town of Miami Lakes Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Honorable Councilmembers

From: Edward Pidermann, Town Manager

Subject: Budget Line Item Transfer – Fountain for Breanna Vergara Courtyard

Date: August 18, 2020

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Town Council approve the transfer of unencumbered appropriation balance or portion thereof between classifications with the Capital Fund. The proposed line item modifications from Par 3 Park to Passive Park (Breanna Vergara Courtyard) in the amount of \$21,000

Background

As part of the adopted budget in FY 2018, the Town Council approved the allocation of \$30,000 to redevelop the SW Corner Lot of Royal Oaks Park into a passive park. Staff created a conceptual design which included concrete pathways, benches, wood split rail fencing, trees, signage, dog waste receptacle, and a fountain as a proposed future sensory enhancement. This conceptual rendering was presented and unanimously approved at the October 2018 Council Meeting. Staff subsequently held a community meeting in December 2018 to discuss the proposed conceptual design with the surrounding neighbors and received overwhelming support.

At the July 2019 Council Meeting, Vice Mayor Rodriguez introduced a New Business Item to rename the park to the Breanna Vergara Courtyard. The Town held a groundbreaking ceremony with the family the following month and construction began. As the project developed, there were several items that came in higher than the original anticipated estimates which caused the project to be overbudget. The Town Council approved and additional \$15,000 at the April 2020 Council Meeting for the signage and fountain. Unfortunately, there was an issue with the initial source identified to power the fountain, so staff is requesting an additional \$21,000 to establish a new power source at the NW Corner of Courtyard and bring in pressurized water to the site. If approved, the Total Project Cost will be \$66,000.

In an effort to expedite this project we are requesting approval for this transfer, however a budget ordinance will be done to move available funds from the impact fee fund (park open spaces) to supplant these funds within the Capital Fund. Please note that both items are eligible for the use of Park Open Space Impact Fees.

Attachments:

Resolution on Budget transfers FY 2019-20

Exhibit A – Budget Line Item transfers- Capital