



Office of the Town Manager

Rafael G. Casals
Town Manager

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Council
From: Rafael G. Casals, Town Manager
Date: March 15, 2017
Re: 2017 Neat Streets Miami Street Tree Matching Grant Award

REQUEST

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A 2017 NEAT STREETS MIAMI STREET TREE MATCHING GRANT AWARD; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

Funding Source: 2017 Neat Streets Miami Street Tree Matching Grant Program

Project Title: Cutler Bay Streetscape Enhancement

Amount Awarded: \$12,500 **Match Required:** \$12,500

Neat Streets Miami is a Miami-Dade County board dedicated to the maintenance and beautification of transportation gateways, corridors and connections. The board's Million Trees Miami campaign has a goal of 1 million trees planted by 2020 and a 30 percent tree canopy throughout Miami-Dade County. In order to reach this goal, Street Trees Matching Grant program, funded by Miami-Dade County, engages municipalities, non-profits and community organizations in planting native or Florida-friendly trees on Miami-Dade's corridors and gateways. Grants of \$5,000 to \$25,000 will be awarded to those communities who can demonstrate the greatest benefits for residents, employers and visitors and are able to provide a stewardship plan for our joint investment.

On December 13, 2016, the Town submitted a grant application requesting funding on behalf of the Public Works Department. Neat Streets Miami has awarded the Town a \$12,500 matching grant to plant fifty (50) trees on the swale and public right-of-way of various local and/or county roads throughout the Town.

RECOMMENDATION

We recommend that the attached Resolution be adopted, authorizing the Town Manager to execute Fiscal Year 2017 Neat Streets Miami Street Tree Matching Grant contract in the amount of \$12,500.

