



Memorandum

Memorandum No: 25-172

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager *RW*

DATE: September 16, 2025

**SUBJECT: Breakers Avenue Notice of Award -
Broward County Surtax Municipal Grant Match**

I am pleased to announce that the City received a Notice of Award in the amount of \$3 million for the Breakers Avenue Resiliency and Traffic Improvements project from the Broward County Surtax Municipal Grant Match Program.

On May 6, 2025, the City Commission approved a Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for the Construction of the Breakers Avenue Resiliency and Pedestrian Traffic Improvements Project in the Amount of \$3 million. Additionally, the City received an \$850,000 appropriation from United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (pending City Commission approval).

On June 30, 2025, the City Commission adopted Resolution No. 25-114 approving and authorizing the execution of the 2025 Amended and Restated Transportation System Surtax Interlocal Agreement (Third Amendment) with Broward County. The Third Amendment established a Grant Match Program (GMP) that allows municipalities to seek transportation surtax funding as part of the local match requirements for competitive state and federal programs, grants, and appropriations.

GMP funding is available on a first-come, first-serve basis for eligible projects. As part of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 cycle, the total available funding through the GMP is \$13 million, with a maximum project award of \$3 million, as established by Broward County. Municipalities are restricted to one (1) GMP application per fiscal year. Through the diligent effort of our Transportation and Mobility Department, the City of Fort Lauderdale was the first municipality to apply on August 18, 2025, the first day of the application cycle, and successfully secured \$3 million. GMP funding will be released in the County's FY2026 funding cycle through an Interlocal Agreement (ILA).

This award furthers the City's efforts in securing necessary funding to deliver the Breakers Avenue project. Currently, the 100% design plans are being reviewed by FDOT and

Broward County. City staff anticipates issuing an Invitation to Bid for the construction of the project in early 2026.

For further information, please contact Milos Majstorovic, Director of Transportation and Mobility, at 954-828-5216 or mmajstorovic@fortlauderdale.gov.

Attachment:

1. Notice of Award

c: D'Wayne M. Spence, Interim City Attorney
David R. Soloman, City Clerk
Patrick Reilly, City Auditor
City Manager's Office
Department Directors



September 11, 2025

City of Fort Lauderdale
c/o Mr. Milos Majstorovic
Director of Transportation and Mobility Department
Sent via email: mmajstorovic@fortlauderdale.gov

Dear Mr. Majstorovic,

On behalf of Broward County and the Independent Transportation Surtax Oversight Board, thank you for participating in the first Surtax Municipal Grant Match Program (GMP) process in August 2025. It was a great success and will result in significant investment in mobility advancement and transportation infrastructure throughout Broward County.

We are pleased to provide this Notice of Award in the amount of \$3,000,000 for the *Breakers Avenue Resiliency and Traffic Improvements* project that received a \$3,000,000 FY 2025 State appropriation (financial project number 454537-1). GMP funds will be released in the County's fiscal year (FY) 2026 using an interlocal agreement (ILA). You will receive a separate email with further instructions and requests for additional information that may be necessary in order to go under agreement sometime next month.

In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gretchen Cassini".

Gretchen Cassini
Mobility Advancement Program Administration

C: Laurette Jean, Assistant County Administrator
Lina Silva, Contract Grants Administrator, Senior/GMP Lead
Nathaniel Klitsberg, Transportation Surtax General Counsel

