

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A GRANT PARTICIPATION AND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH BRIGHTLINE TRAINS FLORIDA, LLC., FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT SELECTED RAILROAD CROSSINGS IN THE CITY.

WHEREAS, in 2018, Brightline Trains Florida, LLC. ("Brightline") applied for and was awarded a Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Program Grant ("CRISI Grant") administered by the Federal Railroad Administration ("FRA") in the amount of \$2.3 million, that will provide funding for supplemental safety improvements at certain strategically identified crossings along Brightline's rail corridor; and

WHEREAS, the total program cost is approximately \$5.63 million, and Brightline is contributing \$500,000.00 toward the program; and

WHEREAS, although Brightline has received the CRISI Grant, there is still a shortfall to fund the program of approximately \$2.3 million; and

WHEREAS, Brightline has requested a local match of at least 20% of the total cost of the improvements from each municipality receiving such improvements in their jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the City will receive approximately \$232,526.46 in safety improvements at six crossings, whereby the City's local 20% match would be \$46,505.29; and

WHEREAS, City staff recommends that the City Commission approve and authorize the appropriate City officials to execute the attached Grant Participation Reimbursement Agreement, authorizing the local match funding for the CRISI Grant to improve railroad safety through such supplemental safety improvements along Brightline's rail corridor within the City, which use of such funds will serve a legitimate public and municipal purpose; and

WHEREAS, funding for the attached agreement has been included in the FY 2021 Operating Budget and is available in account number 001.140202.51500.531170.000000.000.000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are incorporated in this Resolution.

Section 2: That it approves and authorizes the execution, by the appropriate City officials, of the attached Grant Participation and Reimbursement Agreement with Brightline Trains Florida, LLC., together with such non-material changes as may subsequently be agreed to by the City Manager and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the City Attorney.

Section 3: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2020.

JOSH LEVY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL
SUFFICIENCY for the use and reliance
of the City of Hollywood, Florida, only.

DOUGLAS R. GONZALES
CITY ATTORNEY