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Monroe County Tourist Development Council District I Advisory Committee 1201 White Street, Suite 102 Key West, FL 33040

RE: Key West Southernmost Plaza (Public Facility)

Contract ID# 3231; \$1,501,302 in capital funding

Request for 9-month time extension to grant award agreement

Dear District I Advisory Committee:

The City of Key West respectfully requests a 9-month time extension to September 30, 2026, to the Grant Agreement Period for the Key West Southernmost Plaza Phase 2 (Public Facilities) Project to be concurrent with the Southernmost Plaza Phase 1 (Public Facilities) Project ID #2985. The City is requesting to roll Segment 1 amount of \$1,501,302.00 into FY 2026.

With County Attorney approval obtained in February 2024, one Tourism Impact Study encompassing both Phase 1 and Phase 2 of this project was performed. The Study was completed in September 2024.

Similar to the Phase 1 Project, design, which includes both South Street ID #2985 and Whitehead Street ID #3231 as described in both respective Grant Award Agreements, is approximately 95% complete. The project is on track to be advertised for bidding by the end of April with a bid award at the City Commission's June meeting. The scope of the project includes a two-way roadway project in which, elevated pavement/sidewalk materials selection, drainage design, utilities coordination, landscape and hardscape design, plant uplighting, and signage. Additional communication with the stakeholders in the project area revealed the preference for a two-way roadway traffic instead of one-way traffic to accommodate all residents and neighboring businesses as originally proposed during the capital funding application process resulting in a change to the design work already completed. Construction is anticipated by September 2025 with an approximate 10 to 12-month construction period.

Your continued support and patience are much appreciated. Thank you for considering this request for a time extension. If you have any questions, please contact me Keith Bring at 305-809-3866 or Carolyn Sheldon at (305) 809-3741 or via email keith.bring@cityofkeywest-fl.gov or csheldon@cityofkeywest-fl.gov.

Sincerely,

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