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 Subject: RE: Acquired Data and ?'s
 Date: Wednesday, April 8, 2026 12:09:34 PM

Hi Brian – Commissioner LaLonde is referring to the Midtown CRA allocation of funds towards the ultimate rebuild of Memorial Blvd. We began setting aside these funds, similar to South Florida Ave, in order to fund any enhancements (pavers, street trees, lights, etc) that we will advocate for through the design of the project. Funds have not been spent, just getting set aside.

Funds: 406-406 Centers: 106-106 Projects: 017722-017722 Accounts: 7500-7500 Business Units: 00-99

Fund: 406	Mid-Town CRA Fund	Apr-26
Center: 106	Community Redevelopment Agency	
Project: 017722	Memorial Blvd	
Account	Description	Expenditures This Month
406.106.7500.017722.649.00.000	Contractual Services	0.00
	Project: 017722	0.00
		Original Budget
		0.00
		Revised Budget
		550,000.00
		Encumbrances
		0.00
		Expenses Y.T.D.
		0.00
		Free Balance
		550,000.00

In contrast, the CRA spent \$86,000 for the Memorial Blvd Economic Development strategy, with the State of Florida CPTA grant funds providing reimbursement of \$75,000. That came from a different project account entirely for finance tracking. See below.

Fund: 406	Mid-Town CRA Fund	Adj-25
Center: 106	Community Redevelopment Agency	
Project: 026017	Memorial Blvd Economic Development Strategy	
Account	Description	Expenditures This Month
406.106.7500.026017.649.00.000	Contractual Services	0.00
	Project: 026017	0.00
		Original Budget
		0.00
		Revised Budget
		86,000.00
		Encumbrances
		0.00
		Expenses Y.T.D.
		86,000.00
		Free Balance
		0.00

Funds: 406-406 Centers: 000-999 Accounts: 0000-9999 Projects: 026017-026017 Activities: 000-999

406	Mid-Town CRA Fund	Adj-25
		This Month
		To Date
		Estimated
		To Be Collected
Center: 106	Community Redevelopment Agency	
Project: 026017	Memorial Blvd Economic Development Strategy	
406.106.4701.026017.649.00.000	State Grants	0.00
		75,000.00
		0.00
		-75,000.00
	Project: 026017	0.00
		75,000.00
		0.00
		-75,000.00
	Center: 106	0.00
		75,000.00
		0.00
		-75,000.00
	Fund: 406	0.00
		75,000.00
		0.00
		-75,000.00

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FYI... I highlighted a statement at the end but I have no idea what he's talking about.

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Rob/ Shawn

This is some information that I had already compiled.

FYI...

PUBLIC SAFETY: TRAFFIC

- 4,801 crashes in 2024
- 70+ pedestrian/bicycle deaths (2018–2024)
- Memorial Boulevard = HIGH INJURY CORRIDOR
- Vision Zero adopted — March 2025

- FDOT investing ~\$1.25 million
- Pedestrian fatalities 38% above national average

This corridor is already dangerous

POLICE CALLS FOR SERVICE — SITE DATA (5 YEARS)

814 N. Kentucky Ave (Current Location)

July 1, 2020 – July 1, 2025

- 2,870 total calls

Includes:

- 139 mental health crisis calls
- 98 suicide-related calls
- 391 trespass calls
- 274 disturbances
- 195 suspicious persons

Criminal activity:

- 68 assaults
- 73 shoplifting
- 31 thefts
- 8 burglaries
- 4 robberies

Activity increased significantly after 2020 and remains elevated

Demonstrates consistent demand and impact at a single site

POLICE CALLS FOR SERVICE — SURROUNDING AREA (½ MILE)

July 1, 2020 – July 1, 2025

- 68,322 total calls
- ~37 calls per day

Includes:

- 1,175 drug violations
- 1,049 disturbances
- 822 mental health crises
- 597 assaults
- 246 domestic violence
- 205 burglaries
- 72 shots fired
- 14 shootings
- 2 homicides
- 61 robberies

Area already experiencing sustained high call volume

FIRE / EMS CALLS (2025)

January 1, 2025 – Present

- 367 calls at 814 N. Kentucky Ave
- 1,867 calls within ½-mile radius (current area)
- 86 calls within ½-mile radius (proposed site)

Current location already generates significant response demand

Proposed corridor currently operates at lower demand levels

Relocating and expanding a facility of this scale will increase demand

That increased demand will also result in additional public safety costs to taxpayers

It is important to understand how those impacts are being calculated and whether the City has evaluated the need for additional resources, including fire, EMS, and police service capacity

This includes whether existing infrastructure, such as current station coverage and response capabilities, can support that level of increased demand, or whether additional planning and investment will be required
367 calls at a single site represents a measurable and ongoing public safety burden

PUBLIC SAFETY COST IMPACT (2025)

Police (LPD):

- ~\$100 per call
- ~5,084 calls (2025, area-wide)
- ~\$508,000 in response costs for 2025

Fire/EMS (LFD):

- ~\$85 per call

367 calls at the current site in 2025

\$31,195 in Fire/EMS response costs at a single location (2025)

~2,234 total calls (2025, area-wide)

~\$190,000 in response costs for 2025

COMBINED PUBLIC SAFETY IMPACT (2025)

Approximately \$698,000 in total response costs based on documented 2025 activity

The above data was all provided to me, my LPD and LFD These were calls for service reports that I dropped into AI to breakdown.

This may save them some time, but I do not have calls for service at that location by LPD for just that address, but I do believe most calls are very close to location.

I'm not sure if I mentioned it yesterday, but I know it was not on yesterday's paper that I handed over was how much the city had already invested in money for the 92 Memorial Blvd. redevelopment project. I do believe there was an initial investment somewhere around \$550,000 with talk of adding more before the end of last year.

I believe it would be very instrumental and shining a better light for the Commission as a whole.

Sincerely,

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