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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Thomas J. Ansbro, City Attorney

DATE: May 21, 2024

TITLE: Discussion - Codes of Conduct for Commissioners and Appointed

Members of City Boards and Committees - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3

and 4)

The City Commission requested more information regarding codes of conduct for the Mayor and Commissioners, as well as the appointed members of the various City Boards and Committees. Currently, there is no unique code of conduct applicable to the Mayor and Commissioners, or the appointed members of the various City Boards and Committees. While there are State and County ethics laws that are broadly applicable, the City Commission requested specific local legislation to set standards for the decorum and behavior of the City Commission and its appointees.

The City Commission requested that the City Attorney prepare and present proposed ordinances for the City Commission to review and discuss. Attached are proposed Ordinances that would establish a Code of Conduct for the City Commission, as well as a Code of Conduct for members of City Boards and Committees.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Draft Ordinance Establishing City Commission Code of Conduct

Exhibit 2 – Draft Ordinance Establishing City Boards and Committees Code of Conduct

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