



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

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: September 16, 2014

TITLE: Resolution – For the Sale of Public Lands to the Housing Authority under
Charter Sec. 8.02.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution declaring property owned by the City of Fort Lauderdale as being no longer needed for public use and available for purchase in accordance with Section 8.02 of the City Charter.

Background

The City acquired the property located at 726 NW 12th Avenue on March 29, 2011. On June 10, 2014, the Housing Authority of the City of Fort Lauderdale (HACFL) contacted the City expressing interest in purchasing the property as it abuts a larger parcel currently owned by HACFL. They plan to demolish the 87-unit apartment building on the site to the south of the City-owned vacant property and build a new 66-unit apartment building on the combined sites. The vacant lot, 3,375 square feet, is not developable due to the Code requirement of a minimum of 6,000 square feet. The City currently maintains the lot with both mowing and trash removal. The sale of this property would place it back on the tax roll as well as remove it from the Department's maintenance schedule.

The current assessed value as determined by the Broward County Property Appraiser is \$15,190. An independent appraisal conducted by James Riley Real Estate & Appraising, on September 1, 2014, provides an appraised value of the property of \$5,000. A copy of the appraisal report is attached as Exhibit 1.

Please see below chart for information about the said property:

<u>Folio #</u>	<u>Zoning</u>	<u>Square Footage</u>	<u>BCPA Assessed Value</u>
4942-34-06-7250	RMM-25	3,375	\$15,190

Broward County Property Appraiser Sheet is attached as Exhibit 2; Quit Claim Deed to the City is attached as Exhibit 3; surplus property information is attached as Exhibit 4; and a map identifying the property is attached as Exhibit 5.

The process of selling public lands and of public property to public bodies is outlined in Section 8.02 of the City Charter. Pursuant to the Charter, in order to initiate the sale of public lands to public bodies, the City of Fort Lauderdale must first adopt a resolution declaring its intention to sell, alienate, give, exchange, grant, or convey certain public property to a designated public body. The resolution must include the public purpose for which such property will be used by the grantee and designate a day not less than thirty (30) days after the adoption of such resolution, on which a public hearing will be had upon such proposal. Two public notices in local newspapers of general circulation are required not less than ten (10) days before public hearing and the second publication one (1) week after the first publication. At the public hearing, the terms of the proposal and the use of the property shall be explained to the public and opportunity given for citizens and taxpayers to be heard on such proposal. At the public hearing the City Commission shall pass another resolution either confirming or repealing the resolution previously adopted, or confirming the previous resolution with amendments or additions. The confirmed resolution shall direct the proper City officials to execute and deliver deed of conveyance under the terms and conditions set out in the resolution. A copy of Section 8.02 of the City Charter is attached as Exhibit 6.

Resource Impact

No current year budgetary impact. Upon conclusion of the sale, the proceeds will be deposited into the City of Fort Lauderdale General Fund.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the **Internal Support Cylinder of Excellence**, specifically advancing:

- **Goal 12:** Be a leading government organization, managing resources wisely and sustainably
- **Objective 1:** Ensure sound fiscal management
- **Initiative 1:** Achieve a structurally balanced budget through viable revenue sources, smart financial management, comprehensive financial forecasting, and results-oriented and efficient services

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Appraisal

Exhibit 2 – Property Appraiser Information on City–Owned Properties

Exhibit 3 – Quit Claim Deed

Exhibit 4 – Surplus Property Information

Exhibit 5 – Property Map

Exhibit 6 – Section 8.02 of the City Charter

Exhibit 7 – Purchase Contract

Exhibit 8 – Resolution

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