



TO:	Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission
FROM:	Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager
DATE:	July 1, 2014
TITLE:	Motion approving the use of the negotiation method to obtain insurance premium quotes for employment practices liability and workers' compensation insurance

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the use of the negotiation process to obtain insurance premium quotes from the current vendor for public officials and employment practices liability insurance and from all available markets for workers' compensation insurance.

Background

The City purchases public officials and employment practices liability insurance for financial protection from large public official claims and employment related claims. Due to a relatively stable market, the City's agent and the Insurance Advisory Board have recommended negotiating with the current vendor to secure a premium quote for the upcoming period of 11/1/2014 to 10/31/2015.

The City purchases excess workers' compensation insurance for financial protection from large employee injury related losses. Due to concerns with the expected rates from the current carrier, the City's agent and the Insurance Advisory Board have recommended negotiating with all available and qualified markets to secure premium quotes for the upcoming policy period of 10/1/2013 to 9/30/2014.

Staff, and by recommendation from the Insurance Advisory Board, requests authorization from the City Commission to permit the City Manager's designee, Risk Management Associates, Inc., d/b/a Public Risk Insurance Agency, to conduct negotiations for the purchase of insurance, as prescribed in Section 2-199(3) of the Code of Ordinances, for the above referenced insurance coverages.

The Insurance Advisory Board met on June 4, 2014 and unanimously approved the recommendation to negotiate for workers' compensation insurance, as prescribed in Ordinance 2-199(3).

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

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 our resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are United.

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