



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#21-1157

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: December 21, 2021

TITLE: Motion Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Two Memorandum of
Agreements with the Department of Health-Broward County for Open and
Closed Points of Dispensing Locations - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3
and 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a motion authorizing the City Manager to execute two Memorandum of Agreements with the Department of Health-Broward County (BCDOH) for Open and Closed Points of Dispensing (PODs) locations.

Background

The City of Fort Lauderdale and the Department of Health-Broward County have had a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) in place since 2014, which is up for renewal December 31, 2021. The Agreements identify certain PODs which are designed to provide resources to survivors in areas where existing services have been lost or overwhelmed due to disaster. PODs will support basic human needs of food, water and mass prophylaxis, if needed.

During 2004 and 2005 hurricane seasons multiple hurricanes struck the continental United States within weeks of each other. The series of disasters stretched the response capabilities of local, state and federal governments, as well as vendors that provide relief supplies and equipment. When local populations are affected by the potential loss of life sustaining infrastructure, this situation places an immediate expectation and requirement on the City Fort Lauderdale and other governmental organizations to provide such life-sustaining commodities to our affected neighbors. It is incumbent for the City of Fort Lauderdale to have plans in place to manage the receipt, staging, distribution and repackaging of disaster relief supplies

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the City with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2021 Commission Priority, advancing the safety initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Safety Focus Area
- Goal 6: Build a safe and well-prepared community.
- Objective: Be the leading model in domestic preparedness

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

This item supports the Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan specifically advancing:

- The Public Safety Focus Area
- The Coastal Management, Community Health and Safety Element
- Goal 4: Coordinate with related partners and agencies (at city, local, county, regional, state, and federal levels) to plan for disaster and emergency management, further the resiliency of coastal areas, and ensure city-wide community health and safety.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Memorandum of Agreement for Open POD

Exhibit 2 – Memorandum of Agreement for Closed POD

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