

RESOLUTION NO. 23-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BUILDING PERMIT FEES BY THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, TO ASSIST PROPERTY OWNERS REQUIRING RENOVATIONS AND REPAIRS TO PROPERTY IMPACTED BY THE APRIL 2023 FLASH FLOOD EVENT, IN THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AND AUTHORIZING AN EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN FEES TO ASSIST PROPERTY OWNERS REQUIRING RENOVATIONS AND REPAIRS TO PROPERTY IMPACTED BY THE APRIL 2023 FLASH FLOOD EVENT IN THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2023, property owners in the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida ("City"), were impacted by a severe flash flood event which resulted in almost 26 inches of rainfall in the City; and

WHEREAS, the aftermath left many properties and structures, within the City, with significant damage from flooding and water intrusion; and

WHEREAS, City staff conducted an assessment and found that approximately 700 properties and structures sustained major damage and approximately 400 properties and structures sustained minor damage, in the City; and

WHEREAS, recovery efforts include permanent repairs to restore these properties and structures to pre-storm conditions; and

WHEREAS, Section 252.38, Florida Statutes (2022), provides that the City has emergency management powers which includes the ability to appropriate and expend public funds in response to an emergency and provide assistance to victims of an emergency, among other things; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale desires to assist property owners in the City, by authorizing the City to pay the necessary building permit fees for the required renovations and repairs to their properties and structures impacted by the April 2023 Flash Flood event, and provide exemptions from engineering, zoning, and landscape permit fee requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct, and are incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. In accordance with Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, that the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, hereby authorizes the payment of building permit fees, by the City of Fort Lauderdale, to assist property owners requiring renovations and repairs to property impacted by the April 2023 Flash Flood Event, in the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

SECTION 3. In accordance with Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, that the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, hereby authorizes an exemption from engineering, zoning and landscape permit fees, to assist property owners requiring renovations and repairs to property impacted by the April 2023 Flash Flood Event, in the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon adoption.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2023.

Mayor
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

City Clerk
DAVID R. SOLOMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Interim City Attorney
D'WAYNE M. SPENCE

Dean J. Trantalis _____
John C. Herbst _____
Steven Glassman _____
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Warren Sturman _____