

RESOLUTION NO. 25-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 23-179, AS AMENDED, TO ALLOW THE CITY MANAGER DISCRETION IN APPROVING FURTHER REDUCTION OF THE ORIGINAL REDUCED LIEN AMNESTY AMOUNT FOR PROPERTY OWNERS WITH QUALIFYING EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, in September 2023, the City Commission adopted Resolution No. 23-179 authorizing the City Manager to conduct a Lien Amnesty Program ("Lien Amnesty"); and

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2024, the City Commission adopted Resolution 24-121 extending the Lien Amnesty Program; and

WHEREAS, since the inception of the Lien Amnesty Program numerous applicants have requested further reductions of their liens; and

WHEREAS, some properties were purchased without adequate due diligence and still remain underwater and where the lien remediation by a new owner is rendered ineffective by the standard ten percent (10%) reduction by making the property unmarketable; and

WHEREAS, there is no recourse available to assist property owners in these instances; and

WHEREAS, further lien reduction will allow property owners to submit a written request to the Development Services Department to request further reduction and the City Manager will have the discretion to approve such reductions in these cases;

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

SECTION 1. That property owners may submit a written request to the Development Services Department to request further reduction.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager will have the discretion to approve such further lien reductions in cases where either the lien or fine exceeds the property's Just Market Value or the amnesty reduction amount imposes an undue hardship due to documented financial challenges or extenuating circumstances.

SECTION 3. That if any clause, section, or other part of this Resolution shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Resolution shall not be affected thereby, but shall remain in full force and effect.

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

ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Mayor  
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

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DAVID R. SOLOMAN

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