



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

**#25-0683**

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

**FROM:** D'Wayne M. Spence, Interim City Attorney

**DATE:** June 30, 2025

**TITLE:** Resolution Approving Appointment of Richard L. Doody, Esquire as Code  
Enforcement Special Magistrate - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

**Recommendation**

The City Attorney recommends that the City Commission approve the appointment of Richard L. Doody, Esquire as Code Enforcement Special Magistrate through December 31, 2025.

**Background**

Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale was adopted to promote, protect and improve the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Fort Lauderdale by the creation of a code enforcement system. The Code of Ordinances establishes the use of Special Magistrates for hearing cases involving violations of municipal codes, the Florida Building Code and the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

Annette E. Cannon, Esquire resigned her position as Special Magistrate on April 16, 2025, and Richard L. Doody, Esquire will be appointed as the second Special Magistrate. He will be appointed until December 31, 2025, at the rate of \$200.00 per hour, the same appointment period as Rose Anne Flynn, Esquire, who currently serves as a Special Magistrate for the City and will continue to hear cases pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

**Resource Impact**

There is a FY 2025 fiscal impact to the General Fund in the amount of \$24,749 and a Building Fund impact of \$9,300.

<i>Funds available as of June 17, 2025</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME (Program)	CHARACTER / ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-140-3101-524-30-3119	Building Services	Services/ Materials/ Legal Services	\$3,275,367	\$836,406	\$9,300

10-001-1202-514-30-3119	City Attorney	Services/ Materials/ Legal Services	\$1,250,248	\$338,087	\$24,749
				<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ►</b>	\$34,049

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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