



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE City Commission Agenda Memo REGULAR MEETING

- TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission
- **FROM**: D'Wayne M. Spence, Interim City Attorney
- **DATE**: February 18, 2025
- TITLE: Resolution Amending Policies for Absent City Commission and Board and Committee Members to Participate in Meetings Through Communications Technology, By Adding Military Service as an Exception for Remote Participation, Reducing the Minimum Time to Provide Notice of Absence, and Rescinding Resolution No. 20-214 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

The City Attorney recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution amending the policies for absent city commission and board and committee members to participate in meetings through communications technology, by adding military service as an exception for remote participation, reducing the minimum time to provide written notice of an absence, and rescinding Resolution No. 20-214.

Background

On May 1, 2012, the City Commission adopted Resolution No. 12-84, which revised and consolidated policies for absent city commission and board and committee members to participate in meetings through communications technology.

On November 5, 2020, the City Commission rescinded Resolution No. 12-84 and adopted Resolution No. 20-214, which further revised the City's policy regarding participation in meetings by absent City Commission and Board and Committee Members through communications technology.

At the January 22, 2025, Conference Meeting, the City Commission expressed the need to further amend the City's remote participation policy by adding military service as an exception for remote participation. If adopted, the resolution will rescind and replace Resolution No. 20-214.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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