



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

#26-0039

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

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: February 3, 2026

TITLE: Draft Fiscal Year 2027 City Commission Priorities – Office of Management
and Budget (**Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4**)

At the Prioritization Workshop held on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, the City Commission discussed its concerns and priorities for Fiscal Year (FY) 2027. Staff compiled the feedback and organized the ideas into priority categories for consideration by the Commission (Exhibit 1). A brief presentation will be provided to outline the draft FY 2027 City Commission Priorities, solicit further feedback, and prepare the finalized list of priorities for a Commission vote at the City Commission Regular Meeting on February 17, 2026.

As an additional component to the workshop, staff presented information to the City Commission regarding key topics, including items that required City Commission guidance. The topics presented and the feedback from the City Commission is memorialized below:

- Infiltration and Inflow (I&I) Update – City staff provided an update on efforts and key milestones to address I&I, as well as the funding that is in place to support improvements. The City Commission requested additional community outreach in this area to share accomplishments.
- Broadband Access – City staff presented options to enhance broadband access across the City. The City Commission supported providing opportunities to educate neighbors on available affordable and free broadband programs, train neighbors on how to utilize broadband equipment and services, explore the expansion of the City's existing internet service program, and increase bandwidth in parks and public buildings.
- Police District IV – City staff presented options to enhance police response through the creation of a fourth police district. The City Commission supported continued exploration for the creation of this police district in conjunction with the budget development process.
- Disposal of Federal Courthouse – City staff presented options for repurposing the existing federal courthouse, which will be vacant after the new federal courthouse is completed. The City Commission agreed that staff should express the City's interest

in the property for either education or affordable housing.

- One Stop Shop – City staff presented options for utilizing the existing One Stop Shop parcel. The City Commission shared with staff their preferences for the site to include both green space and elements for community activation. Staff will explore a solicited Public Private Partnership (P3) to develop this site. The City Commission also discussed the need for a new sewer lift station in the area.
- City Hall – City staff provided an update on considerations for the framework of the interim agreement that will guide the construction and operation of the new City Hall site including cost, financing, and maintenance. The City Commission supported a target budget of \$200 million.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029 Strategic Plan* and *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan*.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Draft FY 2027 City Commission Priorities and Themes

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