



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

**#17-0858**

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

**FROM:** Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** July 11, 2017

**TITLE:** An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances, Article V, Chapter 15,  
Related to Outdoor Events and Creating a Section Therein Related to  
Supplemental Regulations for Outdoor Social Service Feeding Events

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt an ordinance amending Sections 15-181, 15-182, 15-183, 15-184, and 15-185 of Article V, entitled "Outdoor Events," of Chapter 15 of the Code of Ordinances, and creating Section 15-186 entitled "Supplemental Regulations for Outdoor Social Service Feeding Events."

**Background**

Since the last amendments to Chapter 15 were enacted in May of 2012, various sections of Chapter 15 are in need of revision for purposes of clarity and to most efficiently accommodate and process the numerous and various types of Outdoor Events occurring in the City. Additionally, the temporary and transient outdoor feeding and distribution of food on public property, which has been occurring with more frequency in the last few years, is currently regulated under the City's Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR), Section 47-18.31. Adopting and establishing uniform regulations specifically addressing these types of outdoor feedings and food distribution as events under Chapter 15, Article V ("Outdoor Events") will expedite processing and will ease the permitting requirements for persons and entities engaging in such social service feeding events within the City, further ensuring the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the residents and visitors of the City of Fort Lauderdale, as well as protecting individuals' freedom of speech, assembly, and association.

**Resource Impact**

There is no financial impact associated with the adoption of this ordinance.

### **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Commission Annual Action Plan* priority, included within the Policy Agenda, advancing the Comprehensive Homeless Strategy.

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Public Places Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 3: Be a community that finds opportunities and leverages partnerships to create unique, inviting and connected gathering places that highlight our beaches, waterways, urban areas, and parks.
- Objective 5: Work with partners to reduce homelessness by promoting independence and self-worth through advocacy, housing, and comprehensive services.
- Initiative 2: Implement a comprehensive short and long-term strategy with community partners to address homelessness.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community*.

### **Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Proposed Ordinance

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