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TO:

Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM:

Rickelle Williams, City Manager Purkelle Williams

DATE:

October 7, 2025

TITLE:

WALK-ON - Motion to Advance Four Proposers for the City Hall Project – Balfour Beatty, Fort Lauderdale Civic Partners, FTL Beacon Collaborative,

and FTL City Hall Partners - (Commission District 1, 2, 3, and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve advancing four (4) of the six (6) unsolicited proposal developers — Balfour Beatty, Fort Lauderdale Civic Partners, FTL Beacon Collaborative, and FTL City Hall Partners — for continued evaluation and consideration as part of the City Hall development process.

Background

On November 1, 2024, the City issued Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 398 seeking qualifications for an Owner's Representative to assist in the planning, design, and construction of a new City Hall and related government facilities. Seven (7) firms responded, and Jacobs Project Management Co. (Jacobs) was ranked highest by the Evaluation Committee.

On June 30, 2025, the City Commission authorized the execution of a contract with Jacobs for City Hall Owner's Representative services (CAM #25-0400). The agreement includes a not-to-exceed amount of \$3,500,000 to provide project management support, procurement compliance review, and technical oversight throughout the redevelopment process.

On September 3, 2025, the City executed Task Order No. 1 with Jacobs to develop preliminary evaluation criteria, apply the criteria to the six (6) unsolicited City Hall development proposals, prepare a presentation/report, and present findings to the City Commission. The Jacobs' evaluation focused on proposer qualifications and experience in city hall/government center, municipal, and office buildings, public-private partnership (P3) delivery, financial capacity, key personnel, litigation history, references, and statutory compliance.

At the October 7, 2025, City Commission Conference Meeting, Jacobs presented its findings to the City Commission. The presentation included a comparative matrix that

identified which of the nine (9) criteria that each proposal satisfied. The FTL City Hall Partners proposal met all the criteria. Balfour Beatty, Fort Lauderdale Civic Partners, and FTL Beacon Collaborative met all but one (1) of the nine (9) criteria. The Cypress West proposal met five (5) of the nine (9) criteria and Industry 1 Developments met three (3).

Based on Jacobs' evaluation, City staff recommends that the City Commission approve advancing the following four (4) proposers for continued evaluation and consideration as part of the City Hall development process:

Four Recommended Proposers	
FTL Beacon Collaborative	Balfour Beatty
FTL City Hall Partners	Fort Lauderdale Civic Partners

The remaining two (2) proposers, Cypress West and Industry 1 Developments, are not recommended for further consideration.

Resource Impact

This is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a FY 2025 Commission Priority, advancing the Economic Development initiative.

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