



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

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

**DATE:** April 3, 2018

**TITLE:** Motion to Approve a Three Year Agreement for Operating Remote Control  
Miniature Race Cars at Mills Pond Park – Broward County R.C.

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a three year agreement with Broward County R.C. Race Club, Inc. to operate remote control miniature race cars at Mills Pond Park, from April 7, 2018 through April 6, 2021.

**Background**

On March 17, 2015, the City Commission approved a three (3) year agreement with Broward County R.C. Race Club, Inc., to operate remote control miniature race cars at Mills Pond Park. The Broward County R.C. Race Club, Inc. (Race Club), a non-profit corporation, has utilized this portion of Mills Pond Park for over 20 years.

The Race Club is open to members of the public who want to join the activity, provided that all membership fees, as determined by the Race Club, are paid in full. The Race Club has agreed during the term of their contract with the City, that they will make available, at no cost, two cars for children or adults who do not have a membership, or cannot afford to pay a membership fee, to participate in the races.

The Race Club has approximately 80 members and currently charges \$10 per race entry during local race events, which average one race per month, and \$5 for Wednesday practice. The previous agreement stated that the user, Race Club shall be required to pay the City \$400 per month plus sales tax. The Club is run by volunteers receiving no compensation for providing this recreational activity.

The Parks and Recreation Department has partnered with the Race Club for the past 20 years. The Race Club was established to promote the sport of radio-controlled car racing, which is a family activity for all ages and skill levels. The Race Club allows children a place to be competitive while teaching good sportsmanship. The Race Club encourages all participants to maintain good grades in school.

Staff recommends that a new agreement with the Race Club be approved with an annual fee of \$4800.

**Resource Impact**

There is a positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$4,800. Revenue related to this agreement is included in the FY 2018 operating budget in the account listed below.

<i>Funds available as of March 19, 2018</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AMOUNT RECEIVED (Character)	AMOUNT
001-PKR033301-K303	Adult Programs	Charges for Service / Contracted Events-Mills Pond	\$606,000	\$193,032	\$4,800
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ►</b>					\$4,800

**Strategic Connection**

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative, included within the Infrastructure 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 1: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, Riverwalk, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone.

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

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 - Agreement

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