



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

**# 15-0100**

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

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

**DATE:** February 3, 2015

**TITLE:** South Side School Update

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The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update regarding the South Side School project.

**Northeast Area:**

This project is on schedule for construction to start in June of 2015. The current and baseline schedule date to complete the bid documents is the end of March 2015 (Exhibit 1). The City's consultant, Synalovski Romanick and Saye (SRS) has finalized the development of the design drawings and has started working on the construction documents. The drawings were also approved by the Historical Preservation Board on January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

On January 14, 2015 the City hired a professional historian, Joseph F. Mankowski with Advanced Archaeology Inc. to conduct a required Cultural Resource Assessment Survey (CRAS). The purpose of the survey is to identify existing historic and archeologic resources within the project area that are eligible for local municipal historic designation and/or inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places, as well as to determine potential adverse effects of future projects on such resources. The CRAS will also seek to establish the history and location of the Stranahan Cemetery. The survey will be completed by the end of March 2015.

**Southeast Area:**

Staff is continuing to work with the City's lobbyist in an attempt to get Florida Communities Trust to waive or reduce the current payment requirement of \$123,360 associated with the Restrictive Covenants that accompany the property.

**Strategic Connections:**

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.

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

**Attachments:** Exhibit 1 – Schedule  
Exhibit 2 – Design Package approved by City of Fort Lauderdale’s  
Historic Preservation Board

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