



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

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

DATE: June 17, 2014

TITLE: Authorization to renew a lease agreement with Broward County for Lake
Lauderdale, Joint Park Site, also known as Mills Pond Park -from May 21,
2015 - May 20, 2020.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion authorizing the City Manager to notify Broward County of the City's intent to renew the lease agreement with Broward County for a joint park site known as Mills Pond Park for a period of five (5) years from May 21, 2015 – May 20, 2020.

Background

For the past 29 years (1985- 2014), Broward County and the City of Fort Lauderdale have been committed to providing a regional park , located in the City of Fort Lauderdale, currently known as Mills Pond Park. Both the County and City have worked together to develop a joint park site greater than either party could develop independently of each other.

Mills Pond Park is home to a 5-field state of the art softball complex, four multipurpose fields used for football and soccer, playgrounds, pavilions, open play area, and a water ski lake.

Article V of the Lease Agreement provides that the City has the right to renew the lease upon the expiration of the initial term for two (2) successive five (5) year periods by giving written notice to the County no later than 120 days prior to the end of the initial term. The initial term of the Lease Agreement expires on May 20, 2015. The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting City Commission approval to renew the agreement with Broward County for a period of five (5) years, commencing on May 21, 2015 and ending May 20, 2020. The City may renew the term of the agreement for one (1) additional 5 year period.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Attachments:
Exhibit 1 - Original Lease Agreement

Prepared by: Carolyn Bean, Administrative Assistant
Department Director: Phil Thornburg, Parks and Recreation Director