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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: June 20, 2023

TITLE: Resolution Establishing a Homeless Advisory Committee - (Commission

Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution establishing a Homeless Advisory Committee ("Committee").

Background

On May 16, 2023, staff made a presentation to the City Commission regarding the establishment of a Homeless Advisory Committee. Staff presented the purpose, objectives and structure of the Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to provide recommendations to the City Commission on gaps and additional initiatives to help prevent, mitigate, and address the unsheltered population in the City of Fort Lauderdale and the objectives are to review best practices in addressing homelessness, provide feedback on the strategic plan to prevent, reduce, and address homelessness, assist in identifying funding for homelessness initiatives, help raise awareness on City's actions, and determine program gaps and develop performance indicators.

The proposed resolution establishes the following:

- 1. Establishes the Homeless Advisory Committee
- 2. Outlines the roles and responsibilities of the committee
- 3. Establishes criteria for membership
 - Five community members appointed by City Commission
 - One City of Fort Lauderdale business owner
 - One subject matter expert
- 4. Establishes process for selecting a chairperson and vice-chairperson and a simple majority of membership shall constitute a quorum
- 5. Establishes a 24-month timeline for termination of the committee

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2022 *Commission Annual Action Plan* Top Priority, advancing Homelessness and Housing Opportunities.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- Neighborhood Enhancement
- Goal 4: Build a thriving and inclusive community of neighborhoods.
- Objective: Work with partners to reduce homelessness by promoting independence and self-worth through advocacy, housing and comprehensive services.

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

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

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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