



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

**#24-0026**

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

**FROM:** Greg Chavarria, City Manager

**DATE:** January 9, 2024

**TITLE:** Resolution Approving an Interlocal Agreement Between Broward County and the City of Fort Lauderdale and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Interlocal Agreement to Adopt, Administer, and Enforce Airport Zoning Regulations - **(Commission District 1)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving an Interlocal Agreement between Broward County and City of Fort Lauderdale and authorize the City Manager to execute the Interlocal Agreement to adopt, administer, and enforce airport zoning regulations.

**Background**

In accordance with FS 333.03, the City and County are required to enter an Interlocal Agreement to adopt, administer, and enforce airport zoning regulations or adopt an ordinance, regulation, or resolution creating a joint airport zoning board that shall adopt, administer, and enforce a set of airport zoning regulations (Exhibit 1).

The Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport and the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL) each have defined areas of navigable airspace located within the City of Fort Lauderdale and within Broward County. Respectively, FXE is owned by the City of Fort Lauderdale, and FLL is owned by Broward County. The City and County recognize their mutual obligations and responsibilities for the protection of airport airspace and understand limitations must be set on the height of structures and other objects near each airport.

This Agreement will provide for the City and County to work with each other and provide for a means by which each governmental entity may exercise its respective powers, privileges, and authorities to comply with FS 333.03. More specifically, the Agreement will ensure that each governmental entity will not approve a permit to be issued or any structure, growth, or other object, including a mobile object, which exceeds a limiting height or any use of land near FXE or FLL airports, which obstructs the airspace required for the flight of aircraft in landing or take-off or is otherwise hazardous to air navigation.

The County prepared the Interlocal Agreement, which has been reviewed by Airport staff, City Planning and Zoning, and the City Attorney Office. The City and the County recognize this Agreement is necessary to comply with the expectations of FS 333.03, and will ensure

the prevention of airport hazards in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare in order to protect the utility of FXE and FLL airports.

At its meeting of December 7, 2023, the Aviation Advisory Board supported staff's recommendation to accept this grant from the FDOT.

**Resource Impact**

There is no resource impact associated with this action.

**Strategic Connections**

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

- The Business Development Focus Area
- Goal 5: Build an attractive global and local economic community marketplace.
- Objective: Provide best-in-class regional general aviation airport amenities and services

This item advances the *Fast-Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision Plan 2035: We are Prosperous*.

This item supports the Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan specifically advancing:

- The Business Development Focus Area
- The Economic Development Area
- Goal 3: Recognize and include in economic development planning the role of Port Everglades and the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport and Fort Lauderdale Executive Airports.

**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Interlocal Agreement

Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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