



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

FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: June 4, 2013

TITLE: Quasi-Judicial – First Readings Ordinance Approving a Site Plan
Amendment for the Broward County Central Homeless Assistance Center
and Providing a Process for Future Amendments to the Approved Site
Plan.

Recommendation

It is recommended the City Commission adopt an ordinance to amend the approved site plan to increase the number of beds available at the Broward County Homeless Assistance Center from 200 to 230 at the request of the Broward County Board of County Commissioners and provide a process for the approval of amendments to the approved site plan by resolution.

Background

On June 17, 1997 the City Commission passed ordinance C-97-21, permitting the Broward County Homeless Assistance Center, located at 600 W. Sunrise Boulevard. The 200-bed emergency facility has been in operation since 1999.

The Broward County Board of County Commissioners is requesting to increase the occupancy limit from 200 beds to 230 beds as an amendment to the previously approved site plan. Other than internal building modifications to accommodate the additional beds, no other changes are proposed to the site plan and the request will not modify existing building square footage. The parking requirements are also not affected as the number of parking spaces is based on facility square footage.

The site plan and use was originally approved by the adoption of an ordinance by the City Commission. The request to increase the number of beds, therefore, requires the review and approval by the approving body pursuant to ULDR Sec. 47-24.2.A.5.c. through the adoption of an ordinance amending the ordinance approving the site plan and use.

The proposed ordinance also provides a process for the amendment of the site plan by resolution as a cost savings to the city. All proposed amendments to the site plan will

still require review and approval by the City Commission, however, such approval will be done by resolution. Please note that amendments to the conditions of approval of the public purpose use will still require the adoption of an ordinance.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Location Map

Exhibit 2 – Applicant’s Narratives

Exhibit 3 – DRAFT Ordinance

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