



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

**FROM:** Rickelle Williams, City Manager

**DATE:** September 3, 2025

**TITLE:** Motion Approving Termination for Convenience of the Agreement for the Holiday Park Parking Garage Design Criteria Package – Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC – (**Commission District 2**)

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve the termination for convenience of the agreement with Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC for the performance of consultant services for Design Criteria Package services for the Holiday Park Parking Garage.

**Background**

The growing demand at Holiday Park has created a need to design and construct a parking facility (approximately 1,000 – 1,250 parking spaces). The preferred parking facility location was identified as the parcel east of the Parker Playhouse.

To advance this initiative, the City began the process to procure a consultant to prepare a Design Criteria Package that would include a topographic and boundary survey, geotechnical soil sampling, engineering and architectural tasks, 3D renderings of three design concepts, 60% design plans and specifications with an Opinion of Probable Cost (which describes all major systems, elements, details, components, materials, equipment, and any other information necessary for the design/build contractor to develop and finalize the design and construction).

On June 4, 2024, the City Commission approved an agreement with Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC for Design Criteria Package services for the Holiday Park Parking Garage, in the amount not-to-exceed \$349,664 (CAM #24-0465, Exhibit 1).

At its conference meeting on January 22, 2025, City staff provided the City Commission with an update on the Design Criteria Package that highlighted five (5) potential concepts (Exhibit 3). The City Commission directed staff to advance the surface parking lot concept.

On March 7, 2025, the City received an unsolicited proposal from Holiday Park Parking Partners, LLC for a parking garage at Holiday Park. The proposer submitted a revised

proposal on April 10, 2025. On May 5, 2025, the City received a second unsolicited proposal submitted by Park Place Garages, LLC to construct a parking garage at Holiday Park. On May 20, 2025, staff shared a presentation with the Commission to provide additional project information and to seek feedback and direction regarding the unsolicited proposals.

At the June 30, 2025 Conference Meeting, the City Commission approved Resolution No. 25-131 to advance both unsolicited proposals to construct a parking garage at Holiday Park and authorized moving forward with a Notice of Intent to enter into a comprehensive agreement, triggering a 45-day competition period pursuant to Section 255.065, Florida Statutes (2024). The 45-day competition period began on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, and officially closed on Friday, August 22, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

The City received one (1) additional proposal from G3 Development and one (1) revised proposal from Park Place Garages LLC during the competition period. While the unsolicited proposals are being evaluated, the City Commission requested that staff advance the design of the surface parking lot.

City staff suspended efforts to design and construct a parking garage and accordingly, seek to terminate, for convenience, the Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC agreement for the Holiday Park Garage Design Criteria Package. The City has incurred approximately \$79,335.92 in expenses under the agreement and will retain any work product completed to date. Efforts to advance the surface lot will be handled under a separate solicitation.

### **Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action. The \$270,328.08 remaining encumbrance for Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC will continue to be used to advance the Holiday Park Garage Project.

### **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *2025 Commission Priority*, advancing the Infrastructure and Resilience initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure and Resilience Focus Area, Goal 4: Facilitate an efficient, multimodal transportation network.

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

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

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Transportation & Mobility Element
- Goal 1: Ensure the equitable development of a Complete Network for transportation that prioritizes Safety and emphasizes multimodal mobility and

accessibility.

**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – CAM #24-0465

Exhibit 2 – Executed Agreement

Exhibit 3 – Design Concepts Presentation

Exhibit 4 – Termination for Convenience Letter

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