



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

#22-0639

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: July 5, 2022

TITLE: Public Hearing - Resolution Approving Lease Agreement for City-Owned Property Located at SW 42 Terrace, Unincorporated, Florida 33317, Pursuant to Section 8.13 of the City Charter, to Covenant House Florida, Inc. - **(Unincorporated Broward)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a lease agreement for City-owned property located at SW 42 Terrace, Unincorporated, Florida 33317, to Covenant House Florida, Inc., pursuant to section 8.13 of the Charter.

Background

Per section 8.13 of the Charter, the City of Fort Lauderdale (“City”) is authorized to lease to civic and charitable organizations for a maximum of fifty (50) years to be used by the Lessee for purposes consistent with the public good. On June 7, 2022, the City Commission approved Resolution 22- (Exhibit 1) declaring the City’s intent to lease City-owned property located at SW 42 Terrace, Unincorporated, Florida 33317 to Covenant House Florida, Inc (“Lessee”).

Covenant House Florida, Inc. will provide a public benefit by aiding youth experiencing homeless with continuum care and housing. Covenant House Florida, Inc has been serving youth experiencing homeless in the Fort Lauderdale area since 1984, and in the last five (5) years, has served 2,767 unduplicated youth in its emergency shelter.

A summary of the terms of the lease are as follows:

- Lease Term – Fifty (50) year lease at \$1.00 per year
- Inspection Agreement – Lessee has nine (9) months to conduct preliminary inspection of the property before entering into long term lease with the City
- Effective Date – At the expiration of the Inspection Agreement
- Lessee agrees to make improvements, renovations, and/or additions to undertake the permitted uses at Lessee’s own cost and expense
- Lessee has five (5) years from the commencement date to complete the improvements

Resource Impact

There will be a positive fiscal impact of \$1.00 in the current fiscal year.

Strategic Connections

This item supports a *2022 Top Commission Priority*, the Homeless and Housing Opportunities initiative.

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2024* initiative, specifically advancing:

- Neighborhood Enhancement Focus Area
- 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 Vision Plan 2035: We are Community*.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Resolution 22-114

Exhibit 2 – Location Map

Exhibit 3 – Lease Agreement

Exhibit 4 – Resolution

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