



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#15-0687

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

FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: July 7, 2015

TITLE: Resolution Setting the Proposed FY 2016 Non-Ad Valorem Fire-Rescue
Assessment Fee and Public Hearing Date

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution setting the Non-Ad Valorem Fire-Rescue Assessment Fee at a rate of \$225 per single family residential household and establish the date of September 8, 2015 at 6:00 PM to hold a public hearing to consider public comments.

Background

The City Commission authorized the creation of the Fire Rescue Assessment Program to fund fire rescue services, facilities, and/or programs that will benefit the City in its entirety, such as facility improvements, special equipment, and costs of fire suppression operations on June 15, 1999 (Ordinance C-99-49). Annually, the City establishes an assessment rate to fund continued fire rescue services and operations for the upcoming year.

The City proposes \$225 per single family residential property, which is no change in the rate from the prior year. For fiscal year 2016, the proposed assessment rate will generate \$34,179,973 in revenue to the General Fund, which is approximately 93% cost recovery of fire suppression services for FY 2016.

The City Manager is required per state statute (Section 197.3632 (2) Florida Statutes) to certify the non-ad valorem assessment rate to the Broward County Tax Collector no later than September 15, 2015.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the **Internal Support Cylinder**, specifically advancing:

- Goal 12: Be a leading government organization, managing our resources wisely and sustainably.

- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management

Attachments:

1. FY 2016 Fire Rescue Assessment Rate Schedule
2. FY 2015 Comparable City Fire Rescue Assessment Rates
3. Fire Rescue Updated Assessment Program Memorandum
4. Resolution

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