



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

**#19-0963**

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

**FROM:** Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** October 2, 2019

**TITLE:** Motion Authorizing Purchase of Automobile Liability Insurance – Preferred  
Governmental Insurance Trust – \$1,061,614 - **(Commission Districts 1,  
2, 3 and 4)**

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the purchase of a one-year automobile liability insurance policy from Preferred Governmental Insurance Trust in the amount of \$1,061,614.

**Background**

The City, until 2017, was self-insured for automobile liability claims and had been for many years. However, for the last few years, it has become increasingly challenging for event sponsors holding events in the City to obtain the necessary insurance to protect the City and City employees from liability arising out of City employees' activities and use of City equipment (vehicles) in connection with events. In order to alleviate this issue, Risk Management was able to secure an automobile liability insurance policy that will cover City vehicles whenever they are used, with permission, by City employees.

The City's automobile liability insurance policy is scheduled to expire on October 31, 2019. Inasmuch as the competitive solicitation and selection process is inapplicable to the purchase of insurance and insurance-related products pursuant to Section 3 of Ordinance No. C-19-11, which amended Subsection 2-176(d), Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the City's contracted agent, Risk Management Associates, Inc., d/b/a Public Risk Insurance Advisors, conducted negotiations with the current vendor, Preferred Governmental Insurance Trust. The negotiations resulted in a total premium quote of \$1,061,614, which is an increase of about 12.5% over last year's premium, which is mainly due to a 16% increase in covered vehicles. The policy will cover all of the City's vehicles, including motorcycles and trailers.

The policy is for the period of November 1, 2019, through October 31, 2020. The Insurance Advisory Board reviewed and approved this item at its August 14, 2019, meeting.

Staff, and by recommendation from the Insurance Advisory Board, requests City Commission approval for the purchase of an automobile liability insurance policy from Preferred Governmental Insurance Trust in the amount of \$1,061,614.

### **Resource Impact**

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$1,061,614 for this contract of insurance.

<i>Funds available as of October 1, 2019</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
543-INS010101-5106	Self-Insurance Claims	Auto Liability Carrier	\$7,004,000	\$7,004,000	\$1,061,614
TOTAL AMOUNT ►					\$1,061,614

### **Strategic Connections**

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

- Goal 12: Be a leading government organization, managing our resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management.

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

### **Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Premium Quote Comparison 19-20

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