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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: October 3, 2023

TITLE: Resolution Approving and Ratifying a Collective Bargaining Agreement

Between the City of Fort Lauderdale and Fort Lauderdale Professional Firefighters Inc. IAFF Local 765 - Battalion Chiefs, Effective October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2026, and Authorizing Execution of the Collective Bargaining Agreement - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving and ratifying a collective bargaining agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and Fort Lauderdale Professional Firefighters Inc. IAFF Local 765 - Battalion Chiefs, effective October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2026.

Background

The previous IAFF Collective Bargaining Agreement for Battalion Chiefs expired on September 30, 2021. The City and the IAFF began negotiations for a successor agreement in August 2021 and met 18 times. Through these negotiations, the City and the IAFF came to tentative agreements (a two-year agreement expiring September 30, 2023, and a three-year agreement expiring September 30, 2026). The tentative agreements were presented to the IAFF membership for ratification and the IAFF advised the City that the respective employees voted to ratify the agreements.

Resource Impact

Costs associated with the agreement are incorporated into the FY 2024 Budget. Exhibit 3 provides details of the significant cost drivers included in the agreement.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Safety Focus Area
- Goal 6: Build a safe and well-prepared community.
- Objective: Prevent and solve crime in all neighborhoods

- The Internal Support Focus Area
- Goal 7: Build a values-based organization dedicated to developing and retaining qualified employees.
- Objective: Establish an organizational culture that fosters rewarding, professional careers

The item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community.

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Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Tentative Agreement - Fort Lauderdale Professional Firefighters, Inc./ International Association of Firefighters Lodge 765 Battalion Chiefs Effective October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2026 (redline)

Exhibit 2 - Tentative Agreement - Fort Lauderdale Professional Firefighters, Inc./ International Association of Firefighters Lodge 765 Battalion Chiefs Effective October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2026 (redline)

Exhibit 3 - Significant Cost Drivers IAFF Battalion Chiefs

Exhibit 4 - Resolution

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