



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#24-0203

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

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: February 20, 2024

TITLE: Motion Approving a License Application and an Agreement for the Sale, Service, and Consumption of Food and Alcoholic Beverages on the Public Beach - CWI-GG RCFL Property Owner, LLC for The Ritz Carlton Hotel Company, LLC - **(Commission District 2)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a license application and an agreement, in substantially the forms attached, with CWI-GG RCFL Property Owner, LLC for the sale, service, and consumption of food and alcoholic beverages on the public beach directly in front on The Ritz Carlton Hotel located at 1N Fort Lauderdale Beach Blvd.

Background

On November 1, 2022, the City Commission adopted an ordinance (2nd reading) authorizing a one-year pilot program to allow for the Sale, Service, and Consumption of Food and Alcoholic Beverages on the public beach directly in front of the hotels facing A1A.

On November 21, 2023, the City Commission adopted an ordinance (2nd reading) amending the City of Fort Lauderdale Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8, Article 3 and created a new Code Section 8-55.4 Titled” Sale, Service and Consumption of Food and Alcoholic Beverages”.

Pursuant to Section 8-55.4, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, the CWI-GG RCFL Property Owner, LLC, as owner or operator of the Ritz Carlton Hotel, submitted a license application for the sale, service and delivery of food and alcoholic beverages on city beaches. The application fee for the sale, service, and delivery of food and alcoholic beverages on city beaches are calculated at an amount equal to \$25.00 times the number of guest rooms at the Applicant’s upland hotel and shall be due annually on January 1st of each year. The Ritz Carlton currently has 198 Rooms. Per the Ordinance, the application fee is \$4,950.

Resource Impact

Revenue related to this agreement will be included in the FY 2024 operating budget in the account listed below:

Revenue as of February 5, 2024					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME (Program)	ACCOUNT/ACTIVITY NAME	AMENDED BUDGET	AMOUNT RECEIVED	AMOUNT
10-001-6001-572-329-501	Parks & Rec Administrative Support	Beach Food and Beverage Service Permit	\$0	\$0	\$4,950
TOTAL AMOUNT ►					\$4,950

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2024 Commission Priority, advancing the Public Places initiative.

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

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Build a healthy and engaging community
- Objective: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone

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

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

- The Public Places Focus Area
- The Parks, Recreation & Open Space Element
- Goal 6: Be a community with high quality parks and recreational facilities that highlight the character of our City.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Application Package

Exhibit 2 – License Agreement

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