



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

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: December 17, 2013

TITLE: Resolution authorizing notification letter to abutting property owners
regarding damaged sidewalk at 2901 Belmar Street, Fort Lauderdale

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a Resolution authorizing notification to the property owners of 2901 Belmar Street regarding the need for repairs to sidewalks abutting their property.

Background

The City Code of Ordinances (Section 25-56(a)) states *"It shall be the duty of each owner of abutting property to construct or reconstruct, maintain and keep in good repair, uniform and substantial sidewalks in front of or abutting upon each parcel of his property within the City when so directed by resolution of the City Commission."*

Additionally, Section 25-58 of the City Code of Ordinances states *"The City Commission shall determine by resolution all places and sites within the City wherein it is necessary or advisable, by reason of any unsafe, unsanitary or dangerous condition affecting the public health, safety or general welfare of the City or its inhabitants or for any other reason, for sidewalks to be constructed or reconstructed."*

As a result of complaints regarding broken sidewalks at 2901 Belmar Street, staff has inspected and determined that it is necessary to repair the sidewalks in the interest of public safety. The cost to reconstruct the sidewalk using the City's contractor is \$1,325.00. The property owners have indicated their agreement to pay the City for the cost of the sidewalk repairs.

Staff recommends that the City Commission adopt a Resolution authorizing the notification of the property owners of 2901 Belmar Street of the need for repairing the sidewalks abutting their property.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the City associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

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

- **Goal 1:** Be a pedestrian friendly, multi-modal City.
- **Objective 3:** Improve pedestrian, bicyclist, and vehicular safety.

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

Attachments: Exhibit 1 – Letter to Owner
Exhibit 2 – Photograph
Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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