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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: September 16, 2025

TITLE: Motion Approving an Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with the City

of Wilton Manors to Extend the Initial Term by One Month for Fire Rescue

Services – (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve a motion amending the current Interlocal Agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and the City of Wilton Manors by extending the initial term of the Interlocal Agreement for one (1) month. This extension will allow for the continued provision of fire rescue and emergency medical services by the City of Fort Lauderdale within the municipal boundaries of Wilton Manors.

Background

Since June 2000, the City of Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue Department has provided fire suppression, advanced life support (ALS) rescue/transport, and related emergency medical services to the City of Wilton Manors through successive interlocal agreements. The current agreement has reached its term and is set to expire on September 30, 2025. In the existing agreement, there are provisions that a new (renewal) agreement must be reached prior to September 30, 2025, otherwise the current agreement will automatically renew. Both cities wish to continue this long-standing partnership to ensure uninterrupted service delivery, however, a finalized renewal of the current agreement has not been reached.

Under the proposed amendment to the Interlocal Agreement, Fort Lauderdale will continue to provide comprehensive fire rescue services from Fire Station 16 located at 533 N.E. 22nd Street in Wilton Manors. Staffing includes ALS-certified personnel, fire suppression units, and emergency medical transport. Additional services covered under the agreement include hazardous materials response, technical rescue, public education, and emergency management liaison support.

The extension will commence on October 1, 2025, for a period of one (1) month, ending on October 31, 2025, with an automatic renewal provision unless renegotiated or terminated. City staff endeavor to finalize a renewal agreement for consideration by the City Commission within this period.

09/16/2025 CAM #25-0937 City staff believe that an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Wilton Manors remains in the best interest of both parties and request approval from the City Commission to approve this extension.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area, Goal 3: Be a sustainable and resilient community. This Interlocal Agreement supports the City's strategic goals of:
 - Public Safety: Ensuring timely and effective fire rescue and emergency medical services to neighboring communities while maintaining service levels for Fort Lauderdale residents.
 - **Partnerships:** Strengthening intergovernmental cooperation with municipal partners to promote efficient service delivery.
 - Financial Sustainability: Providing a cost-recovery framework that ensures Fort Lauderdale's operational and capital costs are reimbursed while protecting taxpayer resources.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Amendment to Wilton Manors Interlocal Agreement

Exhibit 2 – Executed Wilton Manors Interlocal Agreement

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