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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: November 4, 2014

TITLE: FY 2015 Participation Agreement with Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc. -

\$95,000

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the FY 2015 Participation Agreement with Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc., a not-for-profit organization, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Background

With the adoption of the FY 2015 Budget, the City Commission approved contributions to not-for-profit organizations that support the needs of the community while making a positive impact. The benefiting not-for-profit organization is required to execute a participation agreement that provides for amount and terms of contribution, scope of services, and standards of performance.

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc. lights up the Riverwalk path during the holiday season. They plan to spend \$20,000 to install and maintain holiday lights, holiday wrapped light poles with garland and red bows on Riverwalk during the holiday season. Customarily the season of lights is launched with a public free event held in Esplanade Park with the Mayor and Commission flipping the switch to light the area. The event has a holiday concert, games and art projects for children, sleigh rides and holiday vendors. Light bites and drinks are offered. The lights and decorations remain up and lit through the 1st week of January with continuous inspection for the duration of installation.

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale will also spend \$75,000 on staffing needs to assist with the revitalization of the Riverwalk. An annual progress report detailing the revitalization efforts, as planned in Exhibit 2, Scope of Services, is requested.

Resource Impact

There is a fiscal impact to the General Fund in the amount of \$95,000. Funding is budgeted and available per the table below.

Funds available as of October 24, 2014					
ACCOUNT NUMBER/ INDEX CODE	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	AMOUNT
001-GEN010101- 4210	Other General Government – Social/Cultural	Other Operating Expenses/Social Contributions	\$11,267,506	\$11,267,506	\$95,000
			TOTAL CONTRIBUTION►		\$95,000

Strategic Connections

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

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

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

Attachment (s):

Exhibit 1 – Participation Agreement with Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc.

Exhibit 2 – Riverwalk Scope of Services

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