

RESOLUTION NO. 25-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, REPEALING RESOLUTION 17-81 AND ADOPTING A NEW FEE SCHEDULE UNDER ARTICLE X – VACATION RENTALS FOR VACATION RENTAL PROGRAM FEES, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida (“City Commission”) adopted Ordinance No. C-15-29 on August 18, 2015, creating Article X – Vacation Rentals, of Chapter 15 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, providing for the registration of any residential property used as a vacation rental; and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2017, the City Commission adopted Resolution 17-81, which reduced the initial registration and inspection fees based on a cost analysis study and also waived the onsite renewal inspection for owner-occupied vacation rentals in favor of a compliance affidavit, resulting in further cost reductions; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, there were 320 registered vacation rentals and as of August 2025, the number has grown to 1,305 registered vacation rentals; and

WHEREAS, due to significant increases in both registered and unregistered vacation rentals, the program expanded its staff to better handle the growing demands of registration, inspections, monitoring, and enforcement; and

WHEREAS, due to the transient nature of vacation rentals, the City needed an effective way to continuously monitor online listings for compliance; and

WHEREAS, City staff conducted a comprehensive fee study in July 2025 to evaluate the program’s current administration, inspection, and enforcement costs; the findings supported a fee structure that reflects the true cost of providing services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That Resolution 17-81 adopted on April 19, 2017, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. That the City Commission hereby adopts vacation rental registration fees in the following structure:

New Registration Fee.....	\$880.00
Renewal Registration Fee (Standard)	\$650.00
Renewal Fee (Owner Occupied)	\$200.00
Safety Inspection/Re-Inspection/No-Show	\$100.00
Late Registration Payment Fee	\$100.00
Transfer Rental Agent Fee	\$50.00

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon and after its passage.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Mayor
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

City Clerk
DAVID R. SOLOMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
CORRECTNESS:

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