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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

DATE: March 4, 2025

TITLE: Motion Approving the Fiscal Year 2026 City Commission Priorities –

(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 City Commission Priorities as set forth below and in Exhibit 1.

Background

The City Commission Priorities are an important component of the City's planning process. These priorities advance the goals and objectives in the City's five-year Strategic Plan, *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029*, and long-term Vision Plan, *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035*. This process ensures that the City is agile in aligning today's pressing needs with the defined goals and objectives for the next five years and beyond.

At the prioritization Workshop held on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, the City Commission discussed their key concerns and priorities for FY 2026. Staff summarized the key themes that were articulated and presented them as draft priorities for consideration at the February 18, 2025 Commission Conference Meeting. The Mayor and Commission validated the priorities at this meeting.

Commission priorities not only drive internal planning but they also help advance advocacy efforts and collaboration with other governmental entities such as the County and the State.

The City Commission priorities established for FY 2026 include:

- Public Safety
- Homelessness Response
- Infrastructure and Resilience
- Public Enjoyment of Waterways
- Public Spaces and Community Initiatives
- Bolster Thriving Communities

The themes that will be considered and incorporated into each priority, based upon discussions during the workshop and conference meeting, have also been included in Exhibit 1. Upon adoption, City staff will incorporate the priorities into the annual budget so that resources are available to move each priority forward in FY 2026.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029 Strategic Plan* and *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035* Vision Plan.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – FY 2026 City Commission Priorities and Themes

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