



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#13-0726

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

FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: May 21, 2013

TITLE: Waiver - Conflict of Interest - Budget Advisory Board Member

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a waiver to allow Mr. Chuck Black, a public officer as a member of the Budget Advisory Board (BAB), to continue providing services to the City as a contracted vendor.

Background

Mr. Chuck Black was appointed as an interim Budget Advisory Board member April 16, 2013. As a BAB member, Mr. Black is a public officer subject to the ethics regulations set forth in Part III, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes (Ethics Act). Florida Statutes Section 112.313(7) restricts City public officers from having a contractual relationship with a person or entity, which is subject to the regulation of or doing business with the City.

Mr. Chuck Black is currently a vendor doing business as Signs by Tomorrow, providing various types of signs to the City under contract. He has done so for many years. Staff does not foresee where providing services to the City will affect Mr. Black's ability to be fair and impartial as a public officer.

Florida Statutes Section 212.313(12) authorizes the City Commission to waive, in particular instances, conflicts pertaining to advisory board members upon full disclosure of the relationship and a two-thirds vote in favor of a waiver.

Staff recommends approval of a waiver for Mr. Chuck Black, Budget Advisory Board member, to continue as a vendor with the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Exhibit 1: Summary of Ethics Regulations

Exhibit 2: Resolution

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