



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE City Commission Agenda Memo REGULAR MEETING

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission
FROM: Susan Grant, Acting City Manager
DATE: February 18, 2025
TITLE: Motion Approving the Co-Sponsorship of the Nova Southeastern University – Christo and Jeanne-Claude Surrounded Islands Event and Permitting the Use of City-Owned Utility Poles for the Display and Placement of Event Banners for a Period Longer than 30 Days – (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission consider the City's co-sponsorship of Nova Southern University – Christo and Jeanne-Claude Surrounded Islands event; permit use of City-owned utility poles for the display and placement of event banners associated with the event for a period of 365 days; and find that the event serves a legitimate public purpose by supporting community events and activities.

Background

Nova Southeastern University is requesting the City of Fort Lauderdale co-sponsor the Nova Southern University – Christo and Jeanne-Claude Surrounded Islands event and permit the display of event banner signs on City-owned utility poles. Pursuant to Section 25-23 of the Code of Ordinances ("Code"), event banner signs may be displayed in association with City co-sponsored events that serve a legitimate public purpose. This proposed event serves as a legitimate public purpose by supporting community events and activities.

Nova Southern University proposes to hire AAA Flag and Banner to install approximately 50 event banners within the City for a 365-day period beginning on February 23, 2025. In accordance with Section 25-23(b)(3) b., *Event Banner Signs*, of the Code, City Commission approval is also required to display an event banner for longer than 30 days. AAA Flag and Banner will install and maintain the banners. A quick release-style worm drive clamp will be used along with banner brackets and fiberglass rods to ensure facile installation and removal.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

<u>Strategic Connections</u> This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2029* initiative, included within the Public Places Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

• Goal: Celebrate our community through special events.

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Proposed Banner Sign Exhibit 2 – Proposed Banner Sign Locations Exhibit 3 – Site Plan Approval Exhibit 4 – No Objection Letter

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