



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE**  
**City Commission Agenda Memo**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**

**#15-1084**

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

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

**DATE:** September 8, 2015

**TITLE:** Resolution Adopting the FY 2016 Fire Rescue Assessment and  
Assessment Roll for Provision of Fire Services, Programs and Facilities

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission hold a Public Hearing to approve a resolution adopting the fire rescue assessment and assessment roll for the City of Fort Lauderdale for Fiscal Year 2016, beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016.

**Background**

The City Commission authorized the creation of the Fire Rescue Assessment Program to fund fire suppression services, facilities, and programs that will benefit the City in its entirety, such as facility improvements, special equipment, and costs of operations on June 15, 1999 (C-99-49). Annually, the City establishes an assessment rate to fund continued fire suppression services and operations for the upcoming year.

The City proposes \$225 per single family residential property, which is the same rate as last fiscal year. For fiscal year 2016, the proposed assessment rate will generate an estimated \$34,179,973 in revenue to the General Fund, which is approximately 93% cost recovery of fire suppression services for FY 2016.

The City Manager is required per Section 197.3632 (2), Florida Statutes to certify the non-ad valorem assessment rate to the Broward County Tax Collector no later than September 15, 2015.

**Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact for FY 2015. This special assessment rate will generate approximately \$34,179,973 in revenue for Fiscal Year 2016.

### **Strategic Connections**

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

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

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

### **Related CAM**

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### **Attachment**

Exhibit 1: FY 2016 Fire Rescue Assessment Rate Schedule

Exhibit 2: FY 2015 Comparable City Fire Rescue Assessment Rates

Exhibit 3: Sun-Sentinel Advertisement

Exhibit 4: Resolution

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