

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission
FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager
DATE: April 16, 2013
TITLE: Motion Approving Acceptance of the NWNID Lots by the City of Fort Lauderdale

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended the City Commission approve the acceptance of the Northwest Neighborhood Improvement District (NWNID) lots conveyed to the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The thirty-seven (37) vacant affordable housing lots are outlined in Exhibit 1.

## **Background**

The NWNID was established by City Ordinance C-87-98, pursuant to Section 163.523 F.S. to implement the City of Fort Lauderdale's safe neighborhood improvement plan. As part of the safe neighborhood strategy the City transferred property to the NWNID to strengthen the neighborhood by making the properties available for housing development. Since the inception of the NWNID in October 1988, the City used the NWNID as a vehicle to support affordable housing efforts. During this time the City has acquired vacant lots (*for its Infill Housing Program*), constructed housing units and transferred the lots and/or housing units to the NWNID to further affordable housing in the City. Once the housing units were constructed, the properties would be sold to eligible buyers.

The NWNID Board will discuss staff's recommendation to dissolve the NWNID at a future board meeting.

After the lots are conveyed to the City, most of the properties will be sold to the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Agency (NPF CRA). After the properties are purchased by the NPF CRA, staff will actively market and dispose of the properties for the development of infill housing units in accordance with the goals of the redevelopment plan. Many of the properties in question are within the adjoining neighborhoods of Dorsey Riverbend, Durrs and Home Beautiful, and when redevelopmed collectively will have an overall positive impact on the entire redevelopment

district.

CAM # 13-0404 (April 16, 2013) by the NWNID Board authorized the transfer of the lots to the City of Fort Lauderdale and execution of conveyance documents to the City by the proper NWNID officials.

## Resource Impact

By accepting the properties, the value of the asset will be added to the City's financial records.

Related CAM's: 13-0404 and 13-0532

Attachments: Exhibit 1- Lot descriptions

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