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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 19, 2019 1:30 PM

City Commission Conference Room

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FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor

ROBERT L. McKINZIE Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District III

HEATHER MORAITIS Commissioner - District I

STEVEN GLASSMAN Commissioner - District II

BEN SORENSEN Commissioner - District IV

CHRIS LAGERBLOOM, City Manager JOHN HERBST, City Auditor JEFFREY A. MODARELLI, City Clerk ALAIN E. BOILEAU, City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 1:36 p.m.

QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Commission Members Present: Commissioner Steven Glassman, Vice Mayor Robert L. McKinzie, Commissioner Ben Sorensen, and Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

Excused: Commissioner Heather Moraitis

Also Present: City Manager Chris Lagerbloom, City Clerk Jeffrey A. Modarelli, City Attorney Alain E. Boileau, City Auditor John Herbst and Sergeant at Arms Tarek Bazzi

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Members of the City Commission announced recent and upcoming events and matters of interest.

Commissioner Glassman commented on the new principal at Fort Lauderdale High School (School), Erin B. Brown and the School's "A" rating.

Commissioner Glassman updated the Commission on his participation as a member of the Broward County Working/Technical Group's (Working/Technical Group) collaborative study for the development of an Integrated Solid Waste and Recycling System.

Mayor Trantalis discussed the need for a commercial business recycling program. He recommended Commission Glassman raise this topic with the Working/Technical Group. Commissioner Glassman confirmed, expounding on the accomplishments at the recent Working/Technical Group meeting. These efforts will establish the foundation for the development of a regional solid-waste management system for Broward County.

Commissioner Glassman confirmed he and Commissioner Sorensen would host the Las Olas Mobility Working Group Meeting on Wednesday, November 20, 2019 at 2:30 p.m.

Commissioner Glassman requested additional information regarding a

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traffic-related incident on the barrier island. Deputy City Manager Rob Hernandez gave a brief update, confirming City Manager Chris Lagerbloom would brief the Commission and provide ongoing updates. Commissioner Glassman clarified that Seabreeze Boulevard is a State road. Mayor Trantalis confirmed outreach efforts with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to address related safety concerns in this area, noting the response of FDOT. Commissioner Glassman discussed finding additional lines of communication with FDOT in pursuit of safety alternatives at Poinsettia Drive and Seabreeze Boulevard, expounding on details. He suggested pursuing additional safety measures between these facilities and State Road A1A, including traffic lights and crosswalks as the new nearby park and Las Olas Garage area become more active.

Vice Mayor McKinzie discussed District III resident concerns regarding water bills, citing specific details and scenarios, including the appropriate amount a water customer should be credited. Comment and discussion ensued on liability, responsibility and Commission policy regarding assisting residents. Vice Mayor McKinzie proposed an increased customer credit when a high water bill is the result of a pipe break requiring the need for a licensed plumbing professional, noting limits related to the issuance of related bonds. Deputy City Manager Hernandez confirmed these limitations, expounding on details and flexibility based on average consumption.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Linda Short, Interim Finance Director. Ms. Short explained that the total amount consumed must be billed to the customer. However, customers can be billed at a lower-tier rate. Comment and discussion ensued on governance by Florida Statute and bond issuance and credits issues by other municipalities. Vice Mayor McKinzie requested Staff update the Commission regarding how other cities are addressing this topic. Mayor Trantalis concurred, noting the need to be consistent with other municipalities. Ms. Short confirmed.

City Manager Lagerbloom arrived at 1:51 p.m.

Commissioner Sorensen discussed the City-owned South Ocean Bridge replacement project (Project) located in Harbor Inlet on South Ocean Drive. It has exceeded its life expectancy. There are two available options: completely closing the bridge during construction or allowing partial access. There is an alternate access route to the area.

Commissioner Sorensen explained input received from the neighborhood outreach meetings and a desire to maintain partial access

to the bridge, noting the increased cost this option would present. He noted that discussions on this topic would continue and Commissioner Sorensen will keep the Commission updated.

City Manager Lagerbloom concurred with Commission Sorensen's comments, noting the preferred alternative from a business perspective is to reduce the timeline of the Project and costs. He acknowledged neighborhood input and the desire to maintain partial access during bridge replacement. Further comment and discussion ensued. Mayor Trantalis noted the cost savings associated with the complete closing of bridge access during the Project. The duration of the Project is estimated to be one year. The contractor also concurred that this is the best alternative. Further comment and discussion ensued. Vice Mayor McKinzie discussed other areas with similar construction closures in the past, noting the need for neighbors to endure construction-related inconveniences to realize significant Project cost savings.

Commissioner Sorensen inquired about the events planned in conjunction with the Super Bowl scheduled on February 2, 2020 in Miami. Mayor Trantalis said the Tourism Development Council (TDC) had contributed \$1,000,000 to Broward County for the Super Bowl, commenting on the return on this investment and deliverables. Efforts are ongoing to work with the Super Bowl Committee (Committee). Mayor Trantalis noted the Committee has a focus on Miami-Dade County. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions regarding the recent fire involving two large yachts, Fire Rescue Chief Rhoda Mae Kerr updated the Commission on the incident, explaining details related to ongoing cleanup efforts. The fire has been deemed unintentional. Debris is being skimmed off the surface and removed. There is no fuel leakage, and the anticipated timeline for the salvage of both vessels is one month.

Commissioner Sorensen requested City Manager Lagerbloom provide the Commission with a regularly updated one-page general overview of City crime statistics. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed.

Mayor Trantalis commented on his participation on a panel discussion at a Realtors Masters Brokers Forum, where he discussed the branding of Fort Lauderdale Beach.

Mayor Trantalis and Vice Mayor McKinzie discussed the need to use available platforms to promote Veterans Day events with all veterans groups. Comment and discussion ensued on the coordination of Veterans Day events.

Mayor Trantalis commented on a FAT Village affordable housing project known as Forge Lofts. The site plan includes a parcel on the site plan that would be kept as open space. He raised the option of acquiring the parcel through eminent domain, confirming the developer would maintain the parcel as open space, i.e., pocket park. Fair market value would be paid for the parcel, which is currently vacant land. Further discussion ensued on Parks Bond funding for this opportunity. Mayor Trantalis requested the Commission give this option consideration. City Attorney Alain Boileau commented on the legal perspective. Mayor Trantalis commented on a United States Supreme Court Case related to this topic. He noted that taking private property by eminent domain must be used for a public purpose, expounding on the benefits of public space within this proposed FAT Village site plan.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's earlier inquiry, City Manager Lagerbloom updated the Commission on the recent traffic-related incident on the barrier island, providing an update of pertinent details on the ongoing investigation that is expected to take a significant amount of time. He confirmed that the intersection of Poinsettia Drive and Seabreeze Boulevard would be communicated to FDOT. In response to Commissioner Glassman, City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed that Staff is putting together information for this area and related communications with FDOT. This information would be forwarded to Commissioner Glassman.

In response to Vice Mayor McKinzie, City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed the vehicles involved included a car and a forklift. Further comment ensued. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed there would be full disclosure of the facts upon completion of the investigation. Commissioner Glassman commented on the struggle faced on this road due to it being a State Road and not regulated by the City.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question regarding police-involved shootings, City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed these are handled by independent, outside agency investigators with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) to ensure they are separate and transparent. City Attorney Boileau confirmed, noting other municipalities follow this same protocol.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions regarding using similar protocol for City-related liability concerns, City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed transparency and appropriate protocol would be followed.

19-1147 Communications to the City Commission - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Audit Advisory Board (AAB) Thursday, August 22, 2019

A copy of this communication is attached to these minutes.

City Manager Lagerbloom discussed details related to late receipt of information from the actuary. City Auditor John Herbst confirmed, expounding on related information and input from auditors. Linda Short, Interim Finance Director, explained this correspondence reiterates ongoing concerns regarding timely receipt of required actuarial report information, expounding on details. In response to Mayor Trantalis' request for recommendations to address this topic, Ms. Short discussed ways to assist in accelerating the delivery of this information, confirming she would speak with Staff and communicate recommendations to the Commission.

Beach Redevelopment Board (BRB) Monday, September 23, 2019

A copy of this communication is attached to these minutes.

City Manager Lagerbloom explained the event plans scheduled for November 26, 2019 to celebrate the holiday season and the opening of Oceanside Park. This event will be larger than previous holiday season events and would meet the intended scale to recognize the opening of Oceanside Park. He noted the ability for a separate opening celebration for Oceanside Park at the direction of the Commission.

Complete Count Advisory Committee (CCAC) Friday, November 8, 2019

A copy of this communication is attached to these minutes.

City Attorney Boileau reviewed the CCAC's enabling legislation and related details. He commented on the permissibility of items discussed in the CCAC's communication.

Mayor Trantalis recognized David Brown, CCAC member. Mr. Brown explained meeting with Broward County and the U.S. Department of

Commerce representatives regarding the 2020 Census (Census), expounding on related details. Comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding the use of the CCAC's request for \$43,000 to fund its Census efforts, Mr. Brown explained this would address costs associated with civic events to enhance public participation with the Census count. The cost equates to twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per Fort Lauderdale resident. He expounded on details related to this return on investment. Mr. Brown explained previous efforts to address Census participation and future efforts to supplement this funding request. Further comment and discussion ensued.

City Attorney Boileau commented on the CCAC communication and its funding request, noting Staff would need to participate in Census event promotion activities in the community. Sunshine Laws would impact CCAC member involvement. Comment and discussion ensued on this topic. City Attorney Boileau expounded on things the CCAC can do to promote the Census, including its logo development, and communicating the logo and its message on utility bills and in emails.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding what the City is doing to assist the Federal Government in promoting Complete Count Census participation, Junia Robinson, Administrative Supervisor, Neighbor Support, discussed Staff attendance at events promoting the Census. Ms. Robinson acknowledged the CCAC's request for educational items to inform the community, expounding on related details. Mayor Trantalis noted the need to promote Census participation. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mr. Brown suggested no two CCAC members would participate together at an event promoting the Census. City Attorney Boileau confirmed that would adhere to Sunshine Laws. Further comment ensued on how Advisory Board members could participate in activities promoting the Census.

Mr. Brown commented on the need for a budget to address the promotion of the Census, explaining the need to ensure optimal Census participation. Mayor Trantalis requested the CCAC develop a budget illustrating how and where funding would be spent. Ms. Robinson confirmed the next CCAC Meeting on December 4, 2019. Neighbor Support would work with the CCAC to address this topic and return to the Commission with further information. Mr. Brown noted the Office of City Manager could allocate the requested funding, and specific budget recommendations would be based upon information available on April 1,

2020.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question regarding the logistics of CCAC members' participation in the community, Mr. Boileau explained his concerns relate to events involving more than one CCAC member.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Miguel Andre. Mr. Andre addressed the Commission on a separate topic and Mayor Trantalis suggested Mr. Andre speak with a Staff member on this subject.

Infrastructure Task Force Committee (ITFC) November 4, 2019

A copy of this communication is attached to these minutes.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Marilyn Mammano, Chair of the Infrastructure Task Force. Ms. Mammano expounded on the ITF communication to the Commission. She explained their position in support of a broader application of a Public/Private Partnership (P3) to address future infrastructure needs. The report on the Fiveash Water Treatment Plant (Fiveash Report), anticipated to be received in early December 2019, will illustrate what should be done, i.e., replacement or repair. She suggested directing Staff to begin gathering competent P3 information to become aware of its pros and cons. Ms. Mammano recommended working with a P3 consultant to assist with making a decision based upon findings in the Fiveash Report. Mayor Trantalis noted meeting with experts on this subject.

Ms. Mammano confirmed the ITF's support of securing freshwater allocation from the C-51 Reservoir.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

BUS-1 19-1106

Stormwater Rate Study Presentation - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

City Manager Lagerbloom explained details regarding the Stantec Stormwater Rate Presentation, noting it is a blended rate model based on square footage and trips generated by parcel.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Kyle Stevens, Managing Consultant, Stantec. Mr. Stevens explained this analysis is run annually to determine the sustainability of the City's Enterprise Funds, including:

Cost Allocation; Fee Structure Options; and Billing Options (Utility Billing or Non-Ad Valorem Billing)

Mr. Stevens gave a brief historical overview of Stantec's efforts and interactions with the Infrastructure Task Force and the Audit Advisory Board to bring these hybrid-rate structure recommendations forward to the Commission. He discussed the process and significant challenges that arose regarding the ability to charge an updated fee using current billing data. Mr. Stevens confirmed these challenges had been addressed.

A copy of the Stantec Stormwater Rate Study presentation is attached to these minutes.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding the Operating Fund, Mr. Stevens explained the amount listed in the Operating Fund slide represents the deficit balance at the end of Fiscal Year 2020, should current revenues be maintained and the planned Master Plan Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) move forward.

Comment and discussion ensued on CIP funding and necessary revenue going forward, as illustrated in the presentation. Without the implementation of this recommended hybrid rate structure, revenues in 2021 would need to be increased by fifty-four percent (54%) in order to fully fund planned CIPs.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Stevens said rate increases in 2021 would be maintained and increase three percent (3%) annually going forward until the next traunch of debt scheduled for 2026 is issued to pay back debt service over thirty (30) years.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question, Mr. Stevens confirmed the first \$200,000,000 traunch of bond funding addresses the first seven neighborhoods. The second \$200,000,000 traunch of bond funding addresses the next seven neighborhoods.

Mr. Stevens explained details related to trip generation rates, expounding on specifics and citing examples. He confirmed that trip generation billing has been used in other municipalities.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding how generation of trips relate to stormwater rates, Mr. Stevens explained the nexus is that

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specific parcels have increased benefits from water-free passible roadways. Trip generation assists in identifying those parcels. Discussion ensued on examples.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question regarding the fifty-four percent (54%) increase in stormwater rates in 2021, Mr. Stevens confirmed that this hybrid method of rate revenue would vary, recognizing the number of trips for a parcel which would benefit from water-free, clear roadways. The trip generation methodology recognizes the benefit differently than dwelling units. Mr. Stevens commented on the recalculation of vertical dwelling units and commercial parcels such as supermarkets is based upon trip generation.

Vice Mayor McKinzie asked about the correlation between stormwater and trips. Mayor Trantalis explained the rationale. The number of trips associated with a parcel, i.e., a supermarket, would generate a larger number of customer trips benefiting from an infrastructure project that keep roadways free of stormwater versus a single dwelling unit parcel. Vice Mayor McKinzie commented on his opposition to the trip method approach. Commissioner Glassman noted this hybrid method was the direction given by the Commission. Further comment ensued.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions, Mr. Stevens confirmed current billing is based on the number of dwelling units on a property. A commercial entity's billing is based on the size of the parcel, and a vacant parcel is based on size factored down to realize no impervious area. Mr. Stevens explained the limitations of the current method. He noted differences in the size of single-family homes and the amount and cost of infrastructure work required to keep roads clear, passable and stormwater-free for commercial properties.

Mr. Stevens discussed the option of changing the method of stormwater billing collection by moving the stormwater utility fees from the utility bill to a Non-Ad Valorem Assessment (Assessment). He reviewed the benefits of utility billing and Assessment methods.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding how an Assessment is calculated, Mr. Stevens clarified the hybrid method calculations are the same as utility bills. The difference is the method of delivery and responsible party, citing examples. The municipal trend is moving towards the Assessment billing method.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question, Mr. Stevens confirmed Assessments could be billed monthly, explaining associated

details.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question regarding the non-collection of utility billing, Laura Reece, Budget Director, noted it is below five percent. City Manager Lagerbloom commented on the option of separating aspects of utility bills.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Stevens confirmed the Assessment method would be sent to the property owner of a multiple dwelling unit and passed on to the tenants. Comment ensued. Vice Mayor McKinzie inquired about the cost of developing this hybrid method of stormwater billing.

City Manager Lagerbloom requested Commission direction moving forward. Comment and discussion ensued. Mr. Stevens reiterated that if the current method is maintained, customer bills will rise fifty-four percent (54%).

Mayor Trantalis recognized Marilyn Mammano, Chair of the Infrastructure Task Force (ITF). Chair Mammano confirmed the ITF's request for and endorsement of Stantec's proposed hybrid method of stormwater billing, noting the benefits of stormwater management, the equity involved, expounding on related details and citing examples.

Commissioner Sorensen confirmed the need and his support of Stantec's hybrid method for stormwater billing. Commissioner Glassman and Commissioner Sorensen confirmed the need to move forward on this topic in early 2020.

Mayor Trantalis requested Stantec present these hybrid rate recommendations to the Fort Lauderdale Council of Civic Associations (FLCCA) and the Infrastructure Task Force. Chair Mammano confirmed she would coordinate these presentations.

Commissioner Sorensen requested feedback include how the stormwater rate is calculated and how stormwater rates are billed. Commissioner Glassman noted his support of a presentation to the FLCCA, noting that the Commission gave direction to pursue the hybrid method a year ago. Further comment and discussion ensued. Chair Mammano noted the increase in public understanding of infrastructure needs and costs over the past year, confirming the importance of community education and explaining related details.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Maggie Hunt, 1307 SW 4th Court. Ms. Hunt

commented on reducing the amount charged to commercial businesses.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed he had enough information to proceed.

BUS-2 19-0770

LauderTrail Strategic Initiative Update - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis commented on the genesis of the LauderTrail Working Group. He recognized Karen Warfel, Program Manager, Transportation and Mobility Department (TAM). Ms. Warfel gave a presentation overview, commenting on the background, makeup, vision, and purpose of the LauderTrail Working Group (LauderTrail), an Annual Action Plan Priority of the Commission in 2018.

Ms. Warfel introduced Jay Shechtman, LauderTrail member, who narrated the presentation.

A copy of this presentation is attached to these minutes.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding the portion of LauderTrail along railway tracks, Mr. Shechtman confirmed, noting it there would be a ten-foot (10') wide buffer along with landscaping and appropriate programming done with Mockingbird Trail, the City's first Urban Art Trail. Commissioner Glassman noted the achievements of Mockingbird Trail. Mayor Trantalis commented on the intensive investment.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding the overlay of Mockingbird Trail onto LauderTrail, Mr. Shechtman explained the Mockingbird Trail Group would be moving forward collaboratively with the LauderTrail route approved by the Commission. Should the two-year duration of LauderTrail not be extended, the Mockingbird Trail Group would continue to maintain LauderTrail in perpetuity.

Mayor Trantalis commented on his previous meetings with the Mockingbird Trail Group, confirming the instructiveness of integrating the Mockingbird Trail plan with the LauderTrail plan. Mr. Shechtman confirmed multiple meetings with Mockingbird Trail had been held. He acknowledged the attendance of Terry Frank, President of Friends of Mockingbird Trail, at today's meeting. Mr. Shechtman expounded on discussions with Mockingbird Trail regarding LauderTrail's routing and connection.

Mr. Shechtman confirmed part of the public/private partnership (P3) is

LauderTrail's support of Mockingbird Trail. He made suggestions for future modifications and additions to the existing proposed LauderTrail route. He expounded on LauderTrail and Commission support on the following requests:

- Commission acceptance of route recommendations
- Combine LauderTrail efforts with Mockingbird Trail
- Parks Bond Funding \$5,000,000 towards design and implementation of LauderTrail
- Continued implementation support, including prioritization with the Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and funding from the Broward County Transportation Surtax
- Commission Feedback and Direction

Mayor Trantalis recognized Terry Frank, President of Friends of Mockingbird Trail (Mockingbird Trail). Mr. Frank discussed the establishment of both groups and ongoing collaboration, confirming the importance of the north/south route of LauderTrail. He stressed the purpose of LauderTrail is to connect all parks, explaining details related to ongoing projects being funded by the Parks Bond and the need to ensure residents safely get to parks. Mr. Frank commented on aspects of the Sunshine Law that inhibit the ability of the LauderTrail Working Group to create a trail system, noting the importance of transitioning the efforts of LauderTrail towards Mockingbird Trail. It will allow this process to move forward in an efficient manner, similar to other municipalities around the country.

Mayor Trantalis commented on the importance of wayfinding along LauderTrail. Mr. Frank referred to the design and configuration of LauderTrail as a *Spiderweb* with connecting points or *Nodes, i.e.,* Holiday Park, YMCA and the Cultural Center, versus a *Loop* trail done in most cities, citing examples.

Vice Mayor McKinzie commented on existing *Nodes* connecting identified parks. Mr. Frank confirmed the importance of public input. He confirmed the desire to incorporate additional trails outside of the

LauderTrail and Mockingbird Trail into this project that would assist in marketing. Further comment and discussion ensued on ensuring collaboration with existing trails, the development of future trails and parks along with additional *Nodes* or connectors.

Mayor Trantalis recognized April Kirk, Friends of Mockingbird Trail Group. Ms. Kirk commented on her support of combining LauderTrail and Mockingbird Trail. She discussed anticipated upcoming meetings with representatives of District III to include them in these collaborative efforts. Ms. Kirk expounded on the readiness to move forward as a P3 to ensure wayfinding signage and safety, noting that Mockingbird Trail was the first Cultural Arts Trail in the State of Florida.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Michael Albetta, Lake Ridge Civic Association. Mr. Albetta reviewed an email requesting information on the enhancement to the Middle River Terrace portion of LauderTrail. He confirmed the positive response received when sharing this information with area civic associations, requesting the Commission move forward on this item.

City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed the next steps going forward should the Commission agree with the recommendations listed in the presentation. Staff would accommodate recommendations of LauderTrail and Mockingbird Trail Working Groups.

Mr. Shechtman reviewed the LauderTrail recommendations:

Move forward with a P3 agreement combining LauderTrail and Mockingbird Trail; appropriating \$5,000,000 from the Parks Bond for the first phase; prioritize the project as a high priority on the list for Surtax funding; prioritize the project with the collaboration with the MPO.

Discussion ensued on what \$5,000,000 in funding would provide, ensuring all portions of LauderTrail are connected, the design process moving forward to determine costs and other design-related details.

Mr. Shechtman explained the initial \$5,000,000 would be used to design and implement Phase 1A of LauderTrail to illustrate the project and engage the public for support and input. This would lead to additional dollars from the Surtax to move forward.

Mr. Frank explained that linking Phases 1A and 1B would connect significant sections of existing bike lanes along 13th Street and the Flagler Greenway, providing these neighborhoods with an understanding

of the benefits of a continuous route. Further comment ensued.

Commissioner Sorensen noted a vital aspect of this project is the use of part of the Florida East Coast (FEC) Railway, explaining the need for support from the associated FEC lessors (Lessors) for this portion of the railway right-of-way. He expounded on details of Lessor requirements to partner with this project, i.e., the full support of the Commission and design details of routing.

City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed the need to work with City Attorney Boileau to move forward. Vice Mayor McKinzie discussed Commission agreement on the concept, noting the importance of determining the cost. Mayor Trantalis confirmed, commenting on the need to implement this project in phases and understand the cost and timeline. He confirmed the application for Surtax funding and the need to know the cost. Mr. Shechtman confirmed the \$5,000,000 would initially go towards the design and would address the understanding of project costs.

In response to the Commission's question regarding the ability to use Parks Bond funding for design, City Attorney Boileau confirmed the need to research. Vice Mayor McKinzie noted three questions, including cost, use of Parks Bond funding and the ability to use Surtax funding. Ms. Warfel confirmed that Surtax funding could be used for design and confirmed the term "shovel ready" means a project has been vetted with the community and they desire the project. Mayor Trantalis confirmed the ability to lobby the MPO for the LauderTrail Project.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding the status of the *Made to Move* Grant, Ms. Warfel confirmed receipt of a \$100,000 grant from Unilever to create the connection of the existing Flagler Greenway to Mass District, expounding on details.

Mayor Trantalis encouraged the LauderTrail Working Group to continue a dialogue with the Mockingbird Trail Group to mesh concepts while City Attorney Boileau determines the viability of using Parks Bond funds for design.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Odessa Striggles Bennett, Vice President of the Old Dillard Foundation. Ms. Bennett noted discussions with Scott Strawbridge regarding the Old Dillard Trail. Discussions ensued on routing. Vice Mayor McKinzie confirmed the need to incorporate Old Dillard Trail in the LauderTrail routing, confirming discussions today address this inclusion. Further comment and discussion ensued. Ms. Bennett confirmed moving forward with the LauderTrail and Mockingbird

Trail Working Groups.

Mayor Trantalis recessed the meeting at 4:25 p.m. for a short break.

Mayor Trantalis reconvened the meeting at 4:37 p.m.

BUS-3 19-1008 Parking Fund Overview - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Ben Rogers, Interim Director of Transportation and Mobility (TAM). Mr. Rogers gave an overview of the Parking Fund. He confirmed the need for Commission feedback following the presentation regarding pricing recommendations and ordinance modifications. Mr. Rogers said there is currently no funding capacity for Parking Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs) and an immediate need for rate changes.

Mr. Rogers confirmed that in lieu of issuing a bond, \$30,000,000 in Parking Enterprise Funds were used for the Las Olas Garage (Garage) project. Comment and discussion ensued on the Las Olas Garage and the anticipated return on investment moving forward. Commissioner Glassman discussed the need for signage to ensure ease of use. It was confirmed the shuttle service was on the Commission Agenda and would begin soon. Discussion ensued on routing to the Garage and related traffic flow due to construction, and the former City Park Garage now known as the "Riverwalk Garage".

A copy of the Parking Fund presentation is attached to these minutes.

Vice Mayor McKinzie discussed the opportunity to alleviate blockage in routes leading to the Garage. Mayor Trantalis commented on the initial plan to utilize the Drop-off Pavilion not yet completed. Discussion ensued on the need to address Garage routing and the ability to make a left hand turn into the Garage when heading east off of Las Olas Boulevard.

Mr. Rogers confirmed ongoing discussions with the Department of Sustainable Development and the Beach Area CRA to install dynamic signage with special instructions versus fixed signage. Discussion ensued on the number of annual parking citations issued. Vice Mayor McKinzie commented on free parking in other area municipalities. Mayor Trantalis commented on an email regarding a citation received shortly after the expiration of parking time, expounding on related details.

Mr. Rogers noted that Miami-Dade increased its rates from \$18.00 to \$36.00 for overtime parking and from \$28.00 to \$124.00 for obstruction

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of traffic. He noted the need to keep citation rates higher than daily rates.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question regarding citation amount restrictions, City Attorney Boileau discussed the amount of flexibility, stating there is no hard number and expounding on details relating to enforcement on public property and private property. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mr. Rogers requested Commission feedback on the following items:

Implementing a resident discount on standardized parking rates via a mobile payment device;

Standardize the minimum purchase amounts to thirty (30) minute segments;

Increase the cost of resident and non-resident parking rates on the barrier island and in the downtown area.

Comment and discussion ensued on these recommendations. Mayor Trantalis confirmed the need to not discourage visitors with high parking rates. Commissioner Glassman noted the Garage is currently underutilized, suggesting lowering the parking rate at the Garage to encourage usage versus doubling the rate as recommended. Further comment and discussion ensued on this topic. Mayor Trantalis suggested a flat fee of \$10.00 for Garage parking to encourage usage.

Vice Mayor McKinzie discussed the intimidating nature of garage parking, expounding on related details and noting the need to change this perception.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's suggestion to increase parking fees in areas other than the Garage, Mr. Rogers confirmed this could be done. Discussion ensued on a \$10.00 flat fee for the Garage versus \$2.00 per hour and what other private garages charge.

Commissioner Sorensen noted his support of having both resident and non-resident parking rates. In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Mr. Rogers confirmed that approximately 2,400 residential parking permits are issued annually at an annual cost of \$26.00 each. Discussions ensued on increasing the amounts for resident parking and non-resident parking on the barrier island.

The Commission came to a consensus on the following modified parking

rates:

Barrier Island: Non-resident parking fee would increase to \$2.50 per hour, except for the Garage, which would have a \$2.00 per hour rate or a flat fee of \$10.00 per day (24 hours); Resident parking - \$1.50 per hour;

Downtown: Non-resident parking fee would increase to \$2.50 per hour; Resident hourly rates - \$1.50 per hour; and

All other areas of the City: Non-resident parking fee would be \$1.50 per hour; Resident parking -- \$1.00 per hour.

The fee for an annual residential parking permit would increase from \$26.00 to \$75.00. This residential parking permit would include parking in the Garage, the South Beach area and the area north of Sunrise Boulevard.

City Manager Lagerbloom explained details relating to certain areas on the barrier island where resident parking permits are allowed to be used. These areas do not include the Garage. In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, it was confirmed a separate residential permit could be purchased for parking in the Garage. Discussions ensued on increasing the current \$26.00 fee for residential parking permits on the barrier island. Vice Mayor McKinzie noted the need to be consistent.

Mr. Rogers noted upcoming considerations regarding the Garage when work on the Las Olas Marina begins.

Mr. Rogers explained the procedures for residents registering their vehicles for reduced residential parking rates.

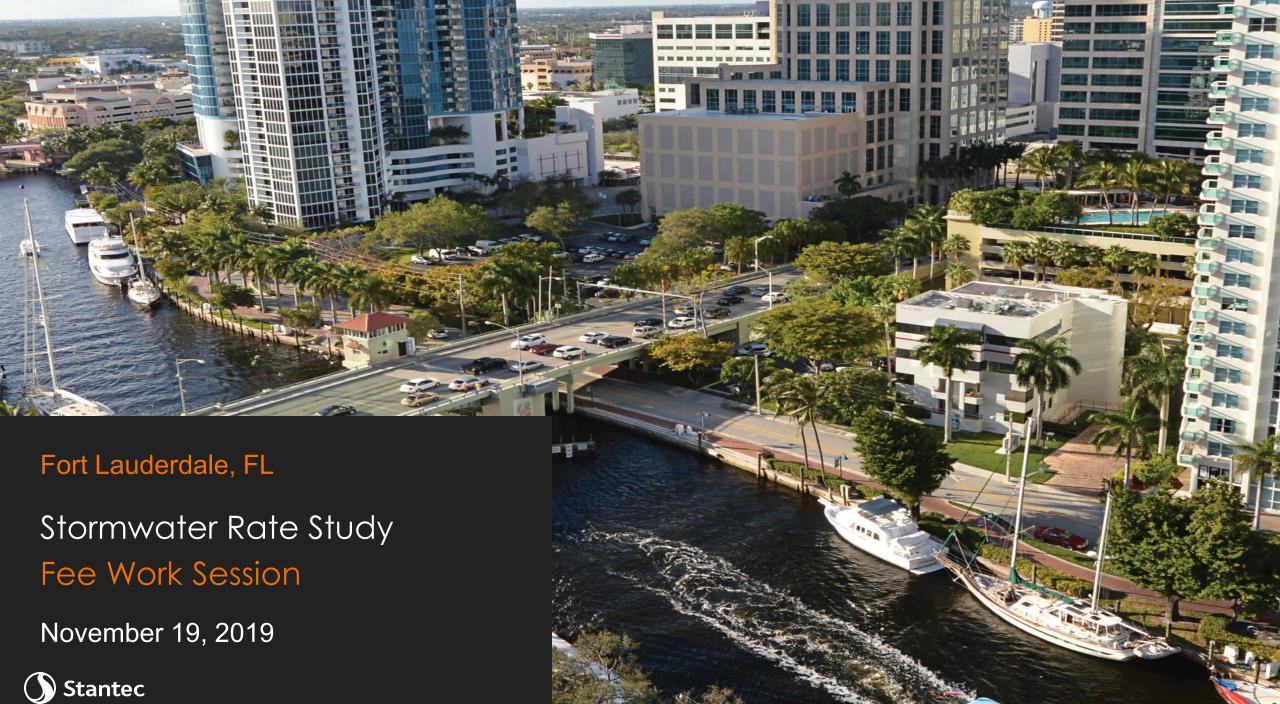
In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding the schedule to implement these changes, City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed an item could be brought forward at the next two Commission Regular Meetings. Commissioner Glassman noted the need for good community education. City Manager Lagerbloom noted the need to address implementation.

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None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 5:08 p.m.



Core Elements of the Study



Revenue Requirements

Cost Allocation

Fee Structure Method of Billing

- Operations & Maintenance
- Renewal and Replacement
- Master Plan CIP

- Units of Service
- Effective Imp. Area
- Trip Generation

- Identify Structures
- Customer Impacts
- Utility Bill
- Tax Assessment

Project Timeline

2016

- Stormwater fee study analysis completed, and initial results presented.
- Trip generation and fee zones introduced as potential fee structures.

2017

2018

2019

- Refined version of fees presented to City Commission, which considered a hybrid approach between trip generation and the current structure.
- City of Fort Lauderdale Infrastructure Task Force Committee- Recommended the City Commission consider adopting a new stormwater rate methodology based upon the trip generation cost apportionment and to consider using the bond validation process immediately thereafter to validate the methodology.
- Budget Advisory Board-Recommended that the City Commission change the methodology used for stormwater charges from using impervious surface to a trip generation model.
- City Commission provided direction to investigate hybrid structure further.
- Significant challenges arose regarding the ability to charge an updated fee using current billing data.

Revenue Requirements

Near Term Needs of the Stormwater Utility

The Utility delivers service through three key areas:

- Operations and Maintenance (O&M) \$11.5M
- Renewal and Replacement Capital Projects \$4M
- Phase 1 Master Plan Capital Projects \$200M
 - Edgewood
 - River Oak
 - Dorsey Riverbend
 - Durrs Area
 - Progresso
 - Victoria Park
 - Southeast Isles

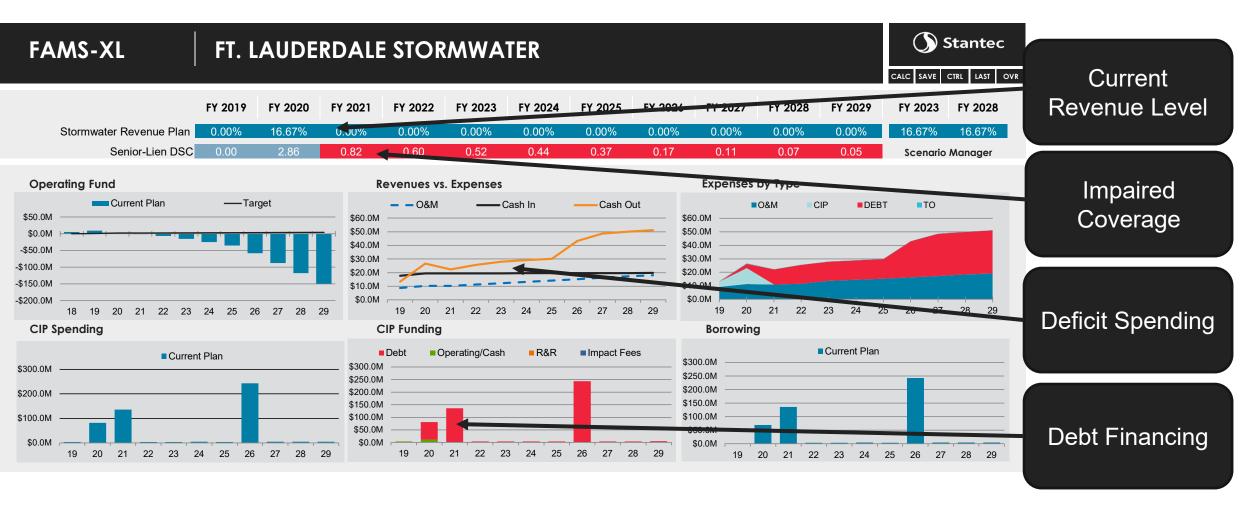
Goal: Ensure the Stormwater Utility has the resources needed to invest in and maintain the stormwater system that protects the City.

Funded

Unfunded

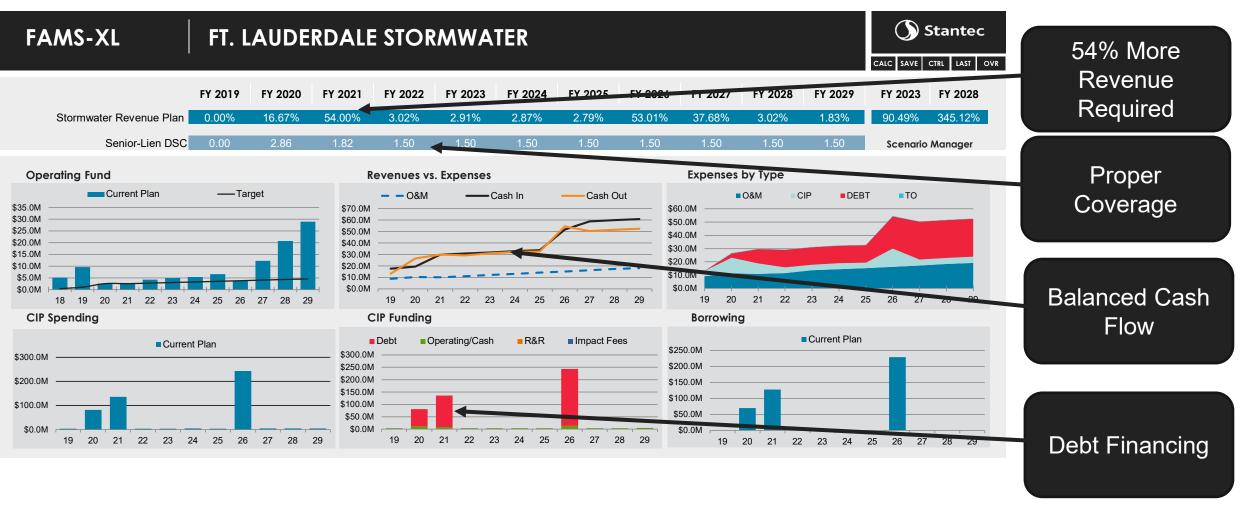


Diagnostic Scenario



Revenue Sufficiency Analysis

Required Revenue Adjustments



Cost Allocation

Options for Stormwater Cost Allocations

Recovery Basis

Method for Measured Units on Parcel

Taxable Value

Dwelling Units

Gross Area

Pervious Area

Impervious Area

Trip Generation

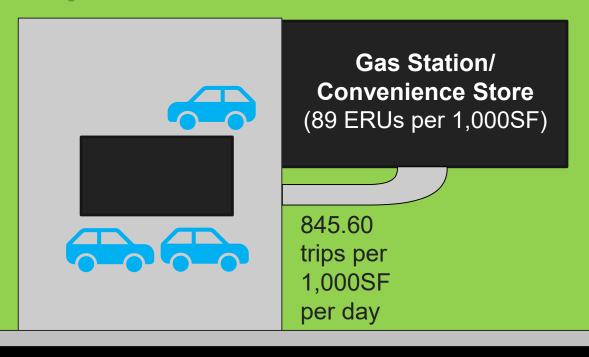


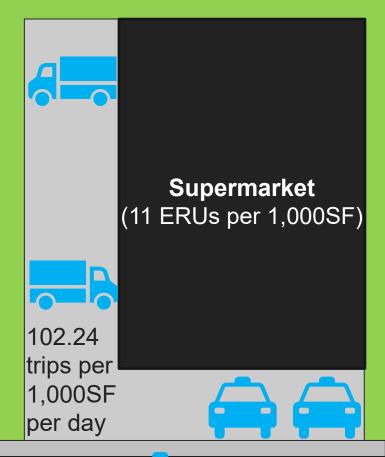




Single Family (1 ERU) 9.52 trips per day

ITE Trip Generation Rates & Specific Parcel Benefit







The Hybrid Model

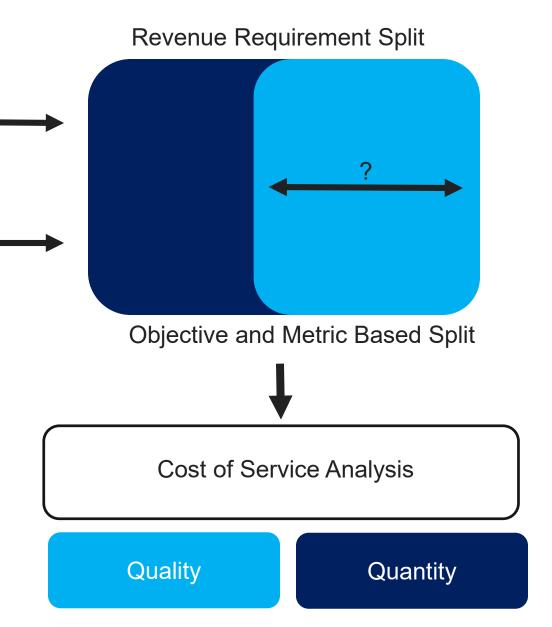
Recovery Basis

Current Fee Structure (Effective Impervious)

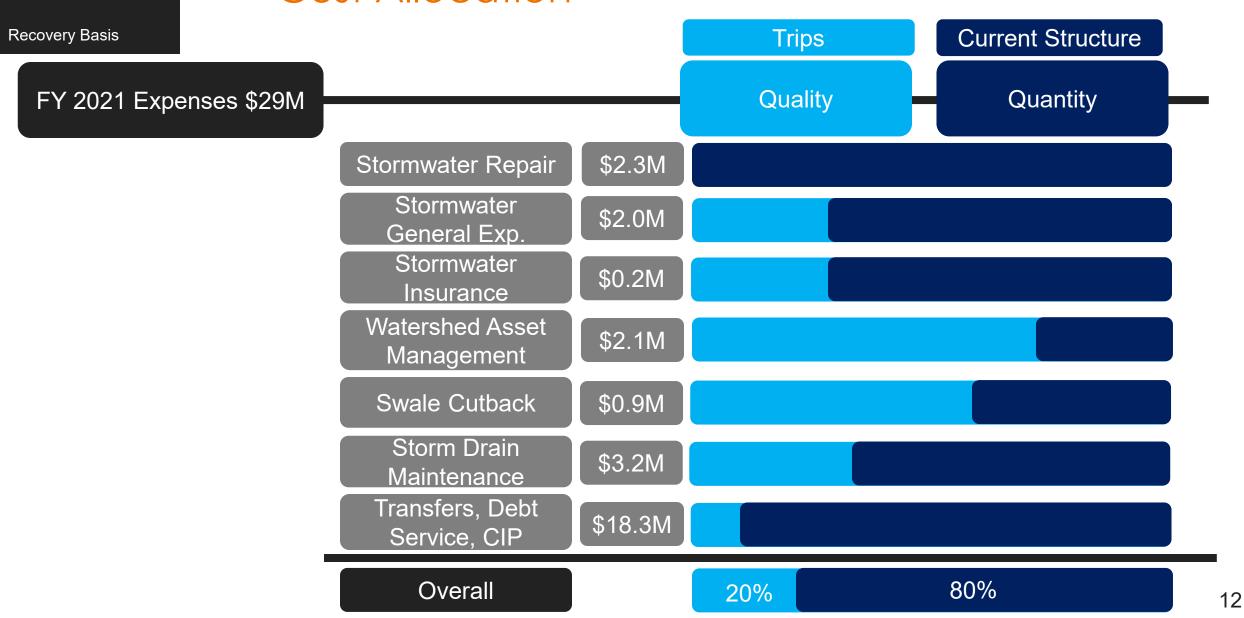
Trip Generation

Key Requirements:

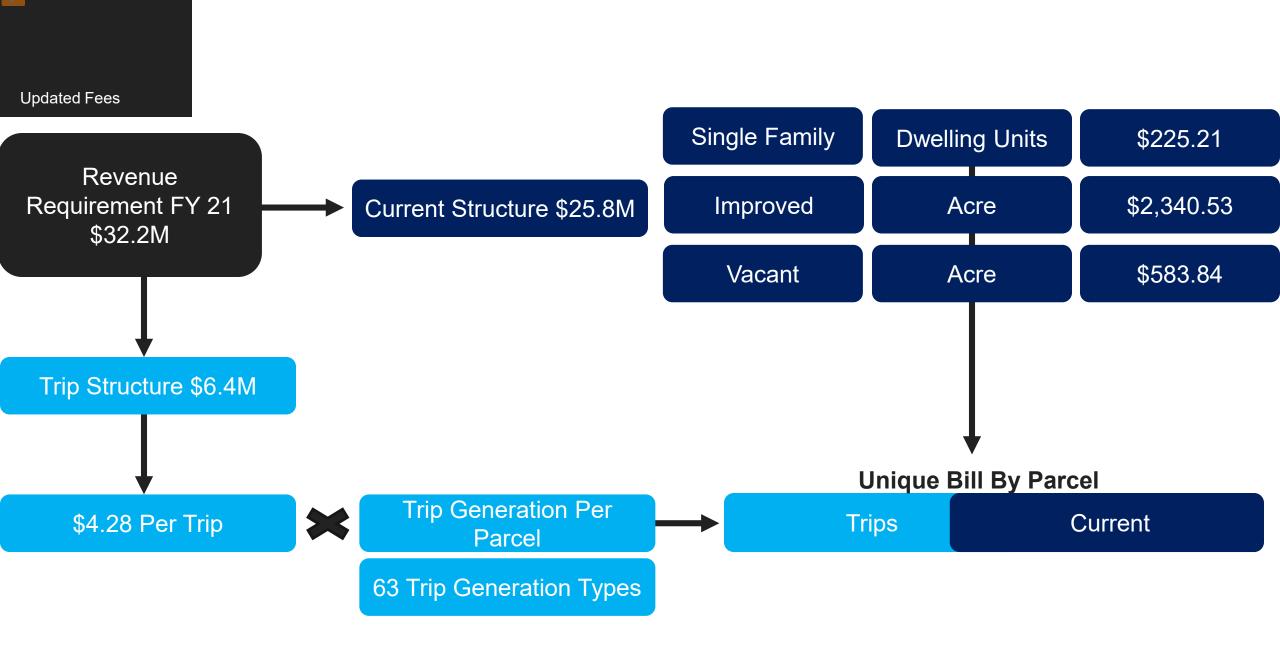
- Updated Billing Units
- Creation of New Billing File
- Defensible Spilt of Cost
 - Quality vs. Quantity

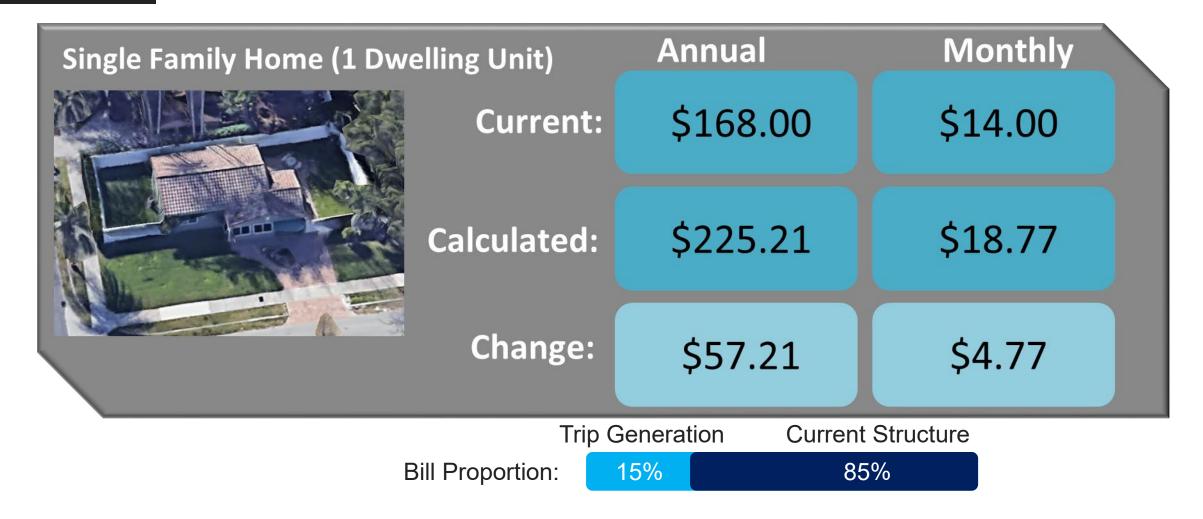


Cost Allocation

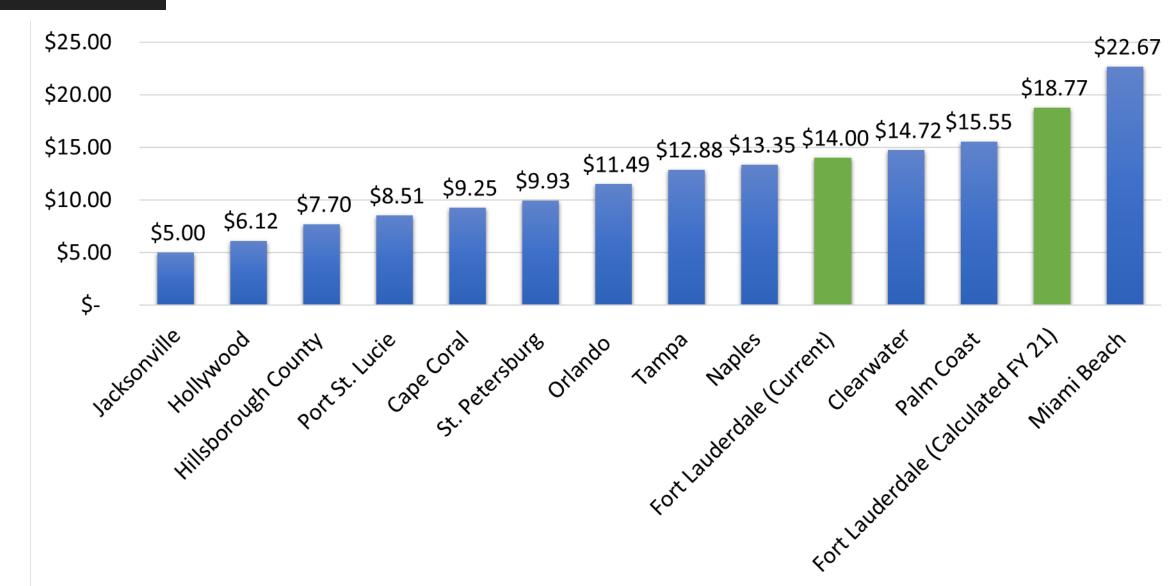


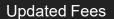
Fee Structure

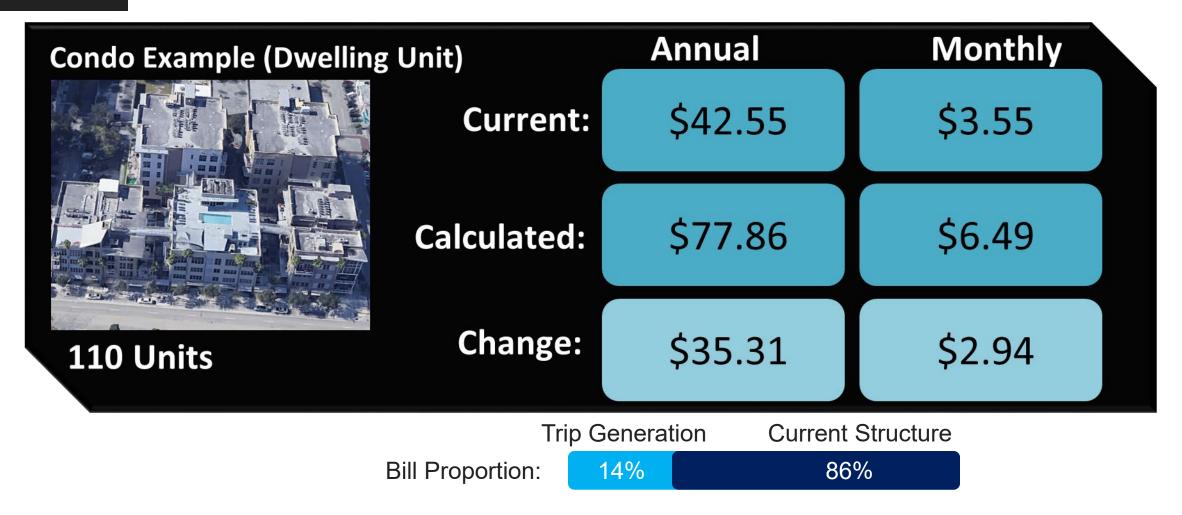




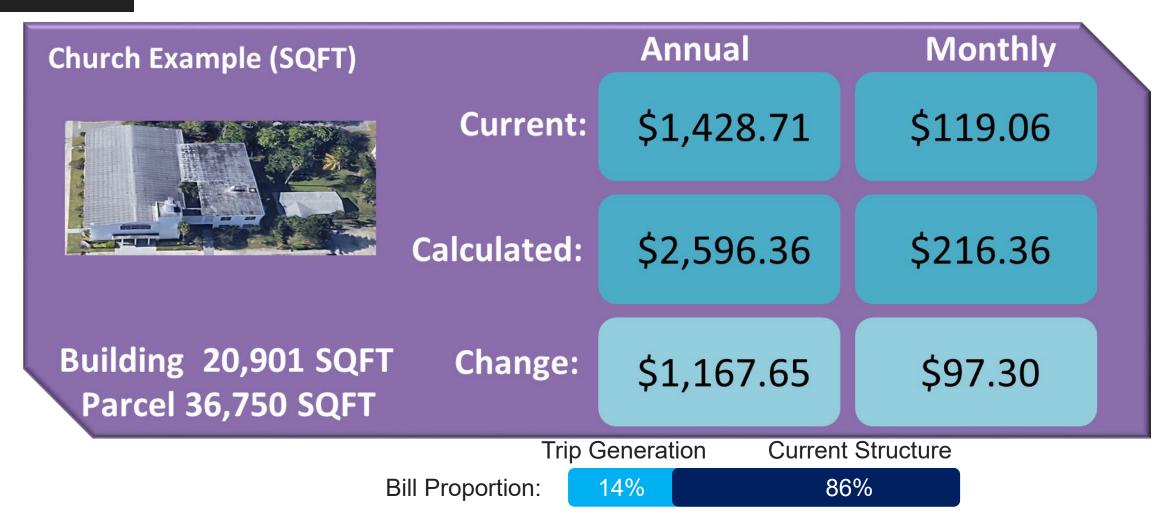
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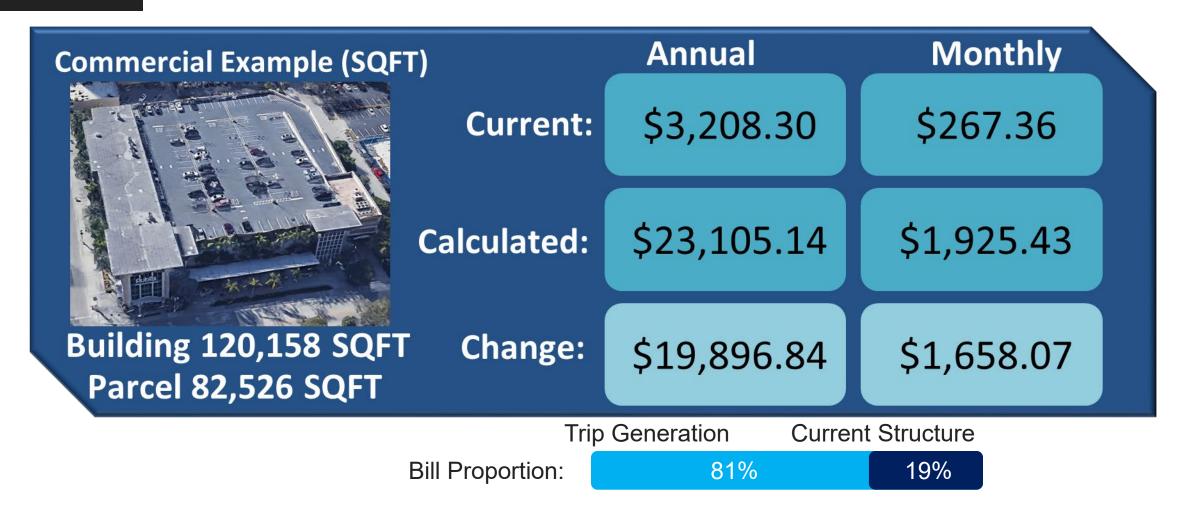










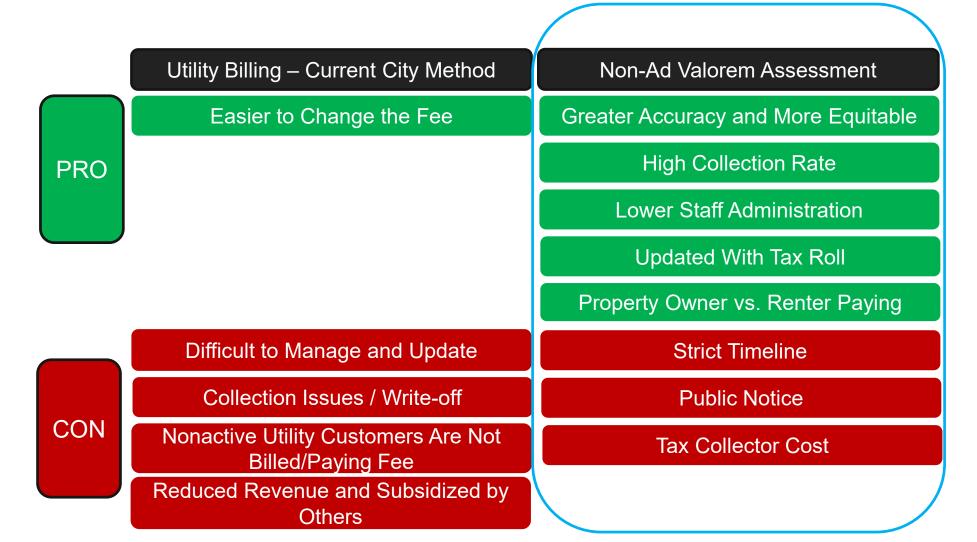


Method of Billing

Stormwater Revenue Collection Method

Method of Collection

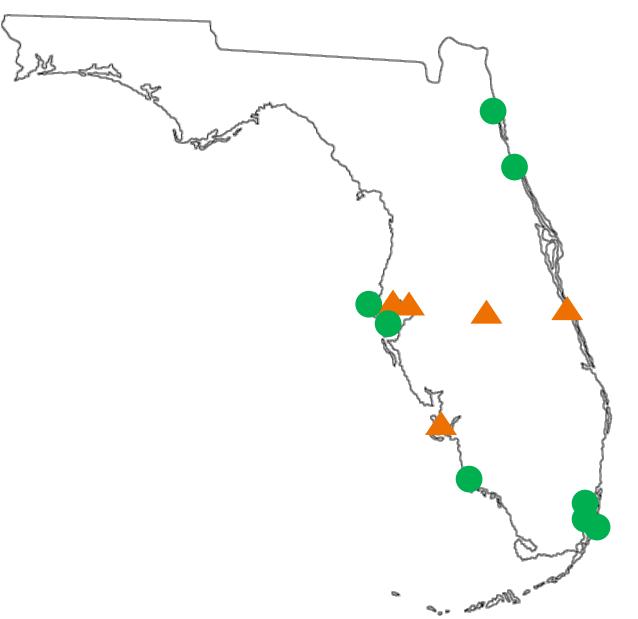
Recommended



Comparable Municipal Survey

Method of Collection

Utility	Assessment	Utility Bill
Fort Lauderdale		X
Tampa	X	
St. Petersburg		X
Miami Beach		X
Palm Coast		X
City of Jacksonville		X
Hollywood		X
Cape Coral	X	
Hillsborough County	X	
Port St. Lucie	X	
Orlando	X	
Clearwater		X
Naples		X









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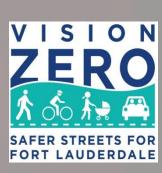
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100 N Andrews Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

8th Floor Conference Room









Outline

- Resolution 18-118
- Working Group
- Planning Process
- Vision & Mission
- Proposed Routing
- Collaborations
- Commission Feedback

2018 Commission Annual Action Priority

- Resolution 18-118, adopted June 19, 2018
 Appointed Working Group
- First meeting on November 2, 2018







Purpose

To identify a preferred route for a pedestrian/bicycle trail termed LauderTrail connecting destinations throughout the city.



LauderTrail Working Group:

Mission

The LauderTrail Working Group will develop a continuous and comprehensive network of connected urban trail facilities for practical and recreational use, promoting healthy lifestyle and environmental stewardship through collaboration with City staff and stakeholders.

Vision

The LauderTrail working group will help create an urban shared-used trail that will connect neighborhoods and destinations using a route that is safe and enjoyable for locals and visitors.

Progress

The Working Group together with City Staff have worked collaboratively to:

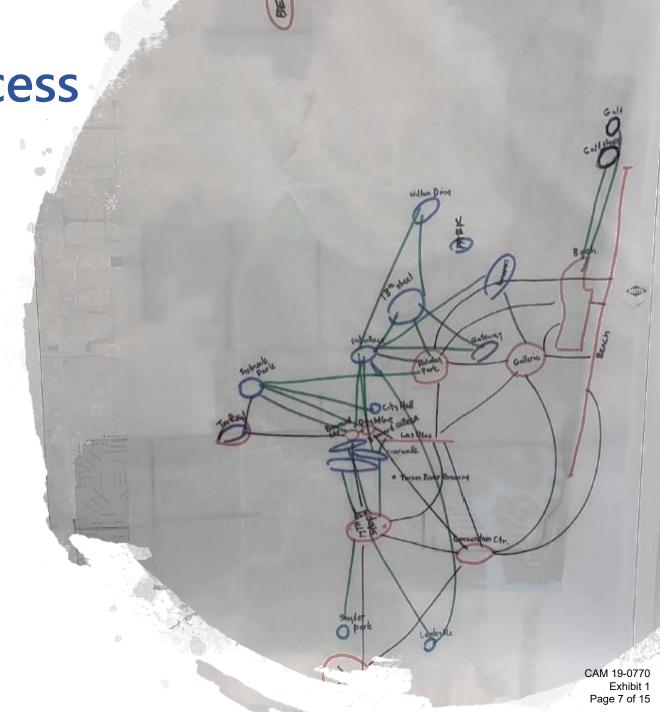
- Identify a Mission and Vision
- Identify routes and facility types
- Identify next steps for implementation
- Identify potential sources of Funding



Route Identification Process

The Working Group identified:

- 1. Regional destinations (RED)
- 2. Local destinations (BLUE)
- 3. As-the-crow-flies connections (BLACK)
- 4. Potential routes connecting destinations (GREEN)





Major Destinations

- Business Districts
- Parks
- Cultural Attractions
- ...And connecting them all



Existing Facilities*

- Trail/Shared Use Path 3.5 miles
- Buffered Bicycle Lane 1.6 miles
- Bicycle Lanes 35 miles

Feasible Proposed Route

- Connect destinations
- Connect existing facilities

Existing Bike Lanes and Buffered Bike Lanes

Trails

Proposed Route



Core Route

NEW TRAIL

• 4.7 miles (overall)

NEW PROTECTED BIKE LANES

• 1.4 miles (overall)

NEW BIKE LANES

• 0.4miles (overall)

TOTAL NEW FACILITIES: 6.5 mi

LEGEND

Proposed LauderTrail Route

Proposed LauderTrail Connections

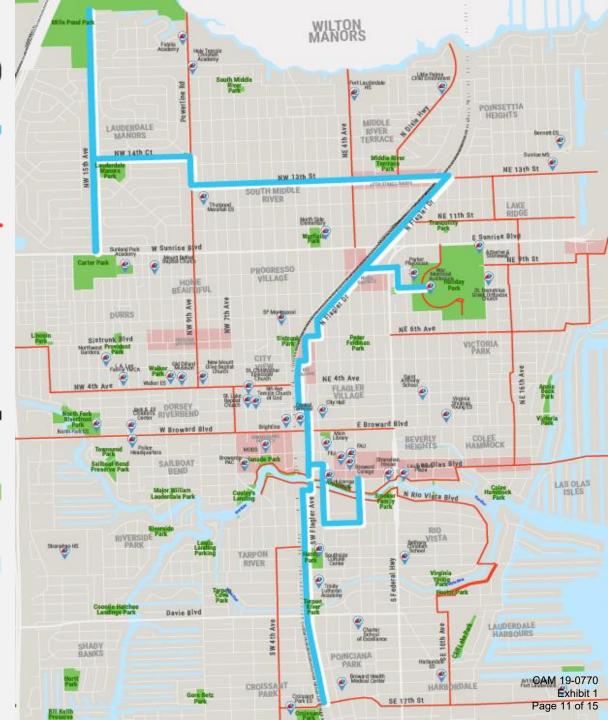
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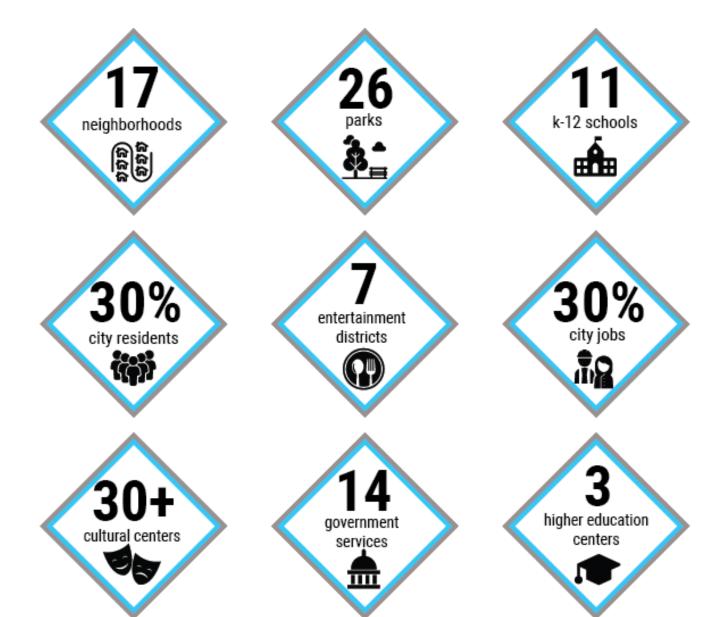
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Parks

Waterways





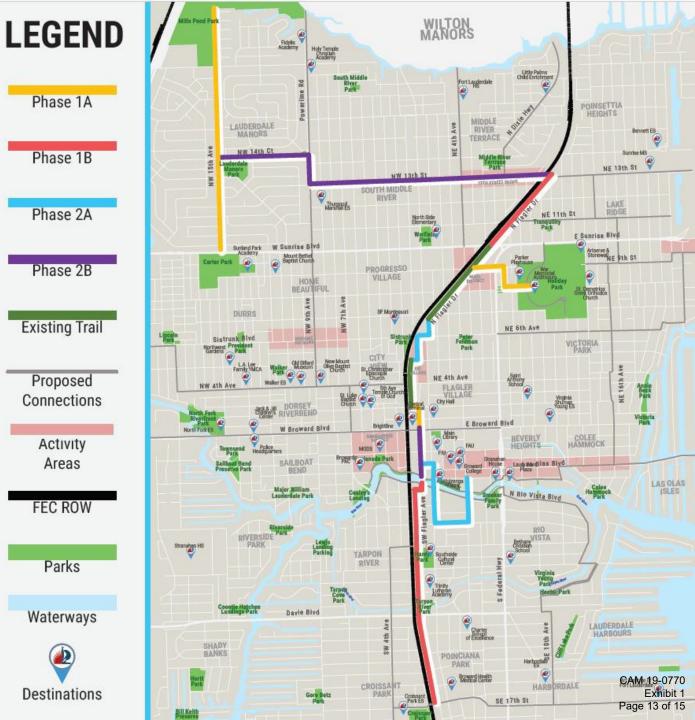


Trail Connections

Figures based proximity analysis to proposed trail route (¼ mile buffer). Source: City of Fort Lauderdale GIS; US Census: ACS 2016 Population Estimates; US Census Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics 2015.

Prioritization

- Phase IA existing programmed projects
 - NW 15th Ave
 - Mobility Hub
 - Flagler Greenway connection
- Phase IB expansion of Flagler Greenway
 - Sunrise to NE 13th St
 - New River to SE 17th St



Areas

Parks

Next Steps

- Commission acceptance of route recommendation
- Combine efforts with Mockingbird Trail
- Parks Bond Funding
- Continued implementation support
- Commission Feedback and Direction







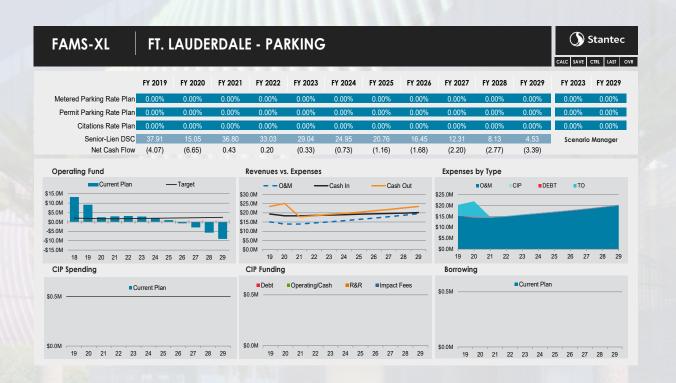
A Review of the Parking Fund with Citation and Hourly Parking Rate Recommendations

November 19, 2019



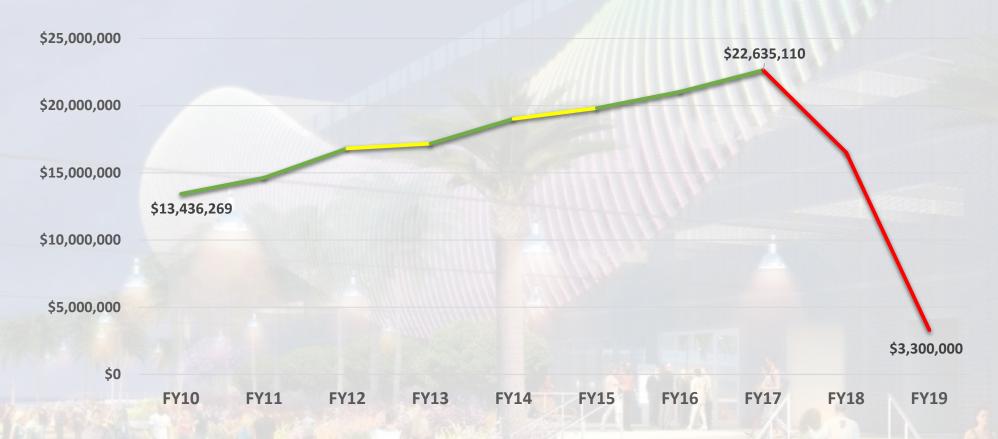
Parking Fund Background

- Self-Sustaining Enterprise Fund
- Revenue comes from:
 - Meter Revenue
 - Parking Citation Revenue
 - Parking Permit Revenue
- Fund Revenue can only be used for parking operations and parking capital improvements that will enhance or sustain revenue
- Stantec Model illustrates future financial concerns



Parking Fund Balance Overview

- Parking Reserves continue to decline
 - Estimated 2019 balance: \$3,300,000



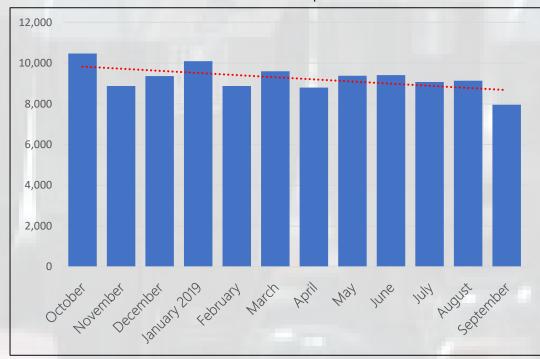
Parking Fund Future Considerations

Service Impact	Potential Annual Need
Riverwalk Garage Structural	\$2,250,000
Loss of Parking Inventory	\$1,750,000
Replenish Parking Reserve Fund	\$1,000,000
Parking Capital Asset Improvements	\$1,000,000
Technology Improvements	\$250,000
Las Olas Garage Tram Service	\$175,000
PROJECTED TOTAL	\$6,425,000

Parking Citations Background

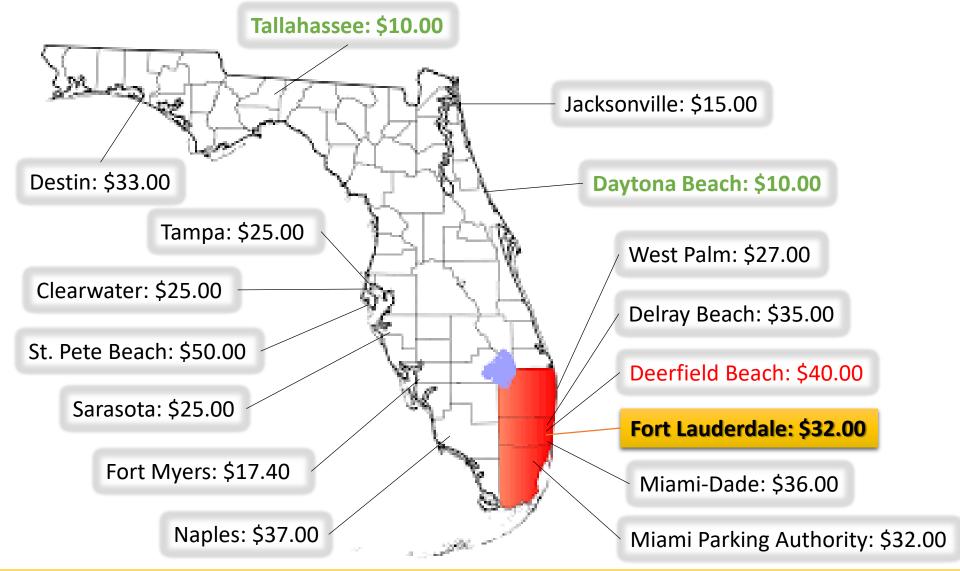
- 24/7 Operations with:
 - 5 Operating zones
 - 24 Employees
 - 15 Vehicles
 - License plate reader technology
- 132,000 citations issued (3-year Average)
- 84% of citations is for overtime parking

Citations issued in the past 12 months



A portion of the fine goes to the Crossing Guard Program (\$868k annually)

Parking Citations Market Comparison*



Parking Citation Recommendation

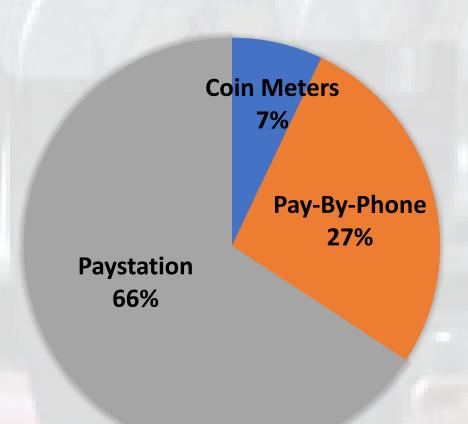
- Increase the citation base rates to \$40.00
 - Current rates higher than \$40.00 will not be increased

Projected impact of over \$800,000 per year

Current Fee	Issued*	Current Value	Proposed Value	Variance
\$32.00	99,184	\$3,173,888	\$3,967,360	\$793,472
\$37.00	13,471	\$498,397	\$538,840	\$40,443
TOTAL	112,655	\$3,672,285	\$4,506,200	\$833,915

Hourly Parking Background

- Revenue Sources
 - Multi-Space Pay Stations: \$7.4M
 - Pay-By-Phone: \$3.0M
 - Single Space Meters: \$950k
- Rates vary by area and facility type
 - Galt Mile Meters: \$0.50/hour
 - Riverwalk Center Garage: \$1.25/hour
 - Las Olas Meters: \$1.75/hour
 - Las Olas Garage: \$2.00/hour



Hourly Parking Market Comparison*

Tallahassee: \$2.00/Hour Jacksonville: \$0.50/hour Destin: \$5.00/Day Daytona Beach: \$1.00/hour Tampa: \$1.65/Hour West Palm: \$1.25/hour Clearwater: \$3.00/Hour Delray Beach: \$2.00/hour St. Pete Beach: \$2.75/Hour Deerfield Beach: \$4.00/hour Sarasota: \$1.50/Hour Fort Lauderdale: \$2.00/hour Fort Myers: \$2.00/Hour Hollywood: \$4.00/hour Naples: \$2.50/Hour **Miami Parking Authority: \$4.00/hour**

Hourly Parking Recommendations

- Standardize parking rates by geographical area
- Implement a resident discount rate (via mobile device)
- Standardize minimum purchase of 30 minute segments

	Current City Range	Resident Rate*	Non-Resident Rate
Barrier Island	\$0.50 - \$2.00	\$1.50	\$4.00
Downtown	\$1.00 - \$1.75	\$1.50	\$3.00
All Other Areas	\$0.50 - \$1.25	\$1.00	\$2.00

Hourly Parking Recommendations

- Over 5.6 million transactions annually
- Difficult to forecast as the data doesn't currently distinguish between resident & non-resident transactions

 Based on other operations, we assume 40% of transactions will be resident rates. Projected impact of over \$6,300,000 per year

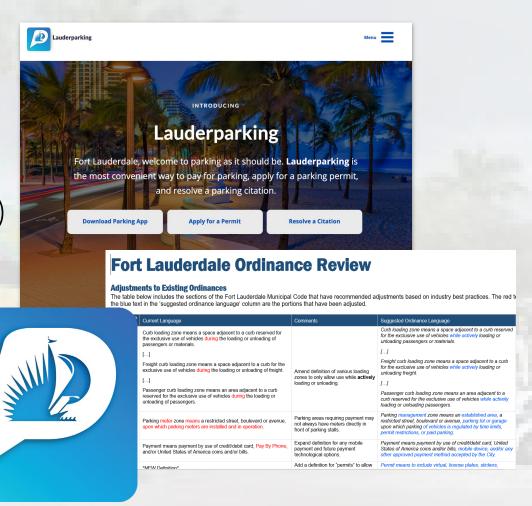
	Annual Transactions	Transaction Percentage
Barrier Island	2,297,740	41%
Downtown	3,115,934	56%
All Others	193,563	3%

Other Updates

Parking System Modernization

Revised Parking Ordinance (Chapter 26)

Payment Options





AUDIT ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

7th Floor Conference Room Thursday, August 22, 2019, 5:00 PM

Cumulative Attendance 10/1/18 – 9/30/19

Board Member	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
D. Keith Cobb, Chairman	Α	4	2
Paul Czerwonka	Р	6	0
Thomas Bradley	Р	6	0
Lane Hacker	Р	1	0

Staff Present

Linda Short, Chief Financial Officer
Laura Garcia, Acting Deputy Director, Finance
Devin Carter, Acting Controller, Finance
John Herbst, City Auditor
Laura Reece, Director, Budget
Jerome Post, Deputy Director, Human Resources
Tarlesha Smith, Director, Human Resources
Ashley Feely, Management Analyst, Finance
Yvette Matthews, Senior Budget & Management Analyst
Kerry Arthurs, Administrative Supervisor, Human Resources
Debra Conyers, Board Liaison

Other Attendees

John Weber, Crowe, LLP

Roll Call

At the time of roll call, three appointed members to the Board were present, allowing for a quorum.

Floor Open for Public Input

Tom Bradley opened the floor for public input. No members of the public came forward.

Audit Advisory Board August 22, 2019 Page 2

Communication to the City Commission

Motion made by Paul Czerwonka, seconded by Lane Hacker: The Audit Advisory Board is uncomfortable with the delays in the production of City financial statements due to the extremely late delivery of reports from the pension boards' actuaries. This has been a recurring problem for the past several years and the Audit Advisory Board requests the City Commission take some action to accelerate delivery of those actuarial reports. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:23 PM



DRAFT COMMUNICATION TO CITY COMMISSION

BEACH REDEVELOPMENT BOARD (BRB)
100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE
8th FLOOR CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301
Monday, September 23, 2019, 2:30 P.M.

MEMBERS	FEB 2019/JAN 2020 REGULAR MTGS			SPECIAL MTGS	
	Present Absent		Absent	Present Absent	
Thomas B. McManus, Chair	Р	7	0	1	0
Art Bengochea, Vice Chair	Р	7	0	1	0
Vincent Ang	Р	6	1	1	0
Jason Crush	Р	4	1	1	0
Jason Hughes	Р	7	0	1	0
Monty Lalwani	Р	6	1	0	1
Christian Luz	Р	4	3	1	0
Shirley Smith	Р	7	0	1	0
Aiton Yaari	Р	5	2	1	0
Frank Smith	Р	1	0	0	0

<u>Staff</u>

Don Morris, Beach CRA Manager Cija Omengebar, CRA Planner Thomas Green, Project Manager, Beach CRA Chijioke Ezekwe, CRA Senior Project Manager Jamie Opperlee, Prototype, Inc.

Guests

John Burn, Central Beach Alliance

Communication to the City Commission

Motion made by Mr. Yaari, seconded by Mr. Crush, to recommend the City and CRA hold a grand opening media day event to showcase the Las Olas Boulevard and other upcoming City projects. The event should be separate from the holiday lighting event and there should be appropriate funding to provide a showcase for the event. The purpose is to reintroduce the beach to tourists, residents, and businesses. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.



COMPLETE COUNT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Friday, November 8, 2019 | 5:30 – 7:00 P.M.
Fort Lauderdale City Hall, 100 N. Andrews Avenue
City Commission Conference Room

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

David Brown (via telephonic participation)
Ann Mihaiu
Corey Thiel
Luke Harrigan
Stephanie Rosendorf
Jeffrey Thompson

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Michael Grady Christopher Smith Dana Somerstein

Attendance: 6

Appointed Members to the Committee: 9 Needed to constitute a quorum: 5

STAFF

Junia Robinson, staff liaison Jamie Opperlee, prototype, Inc.

Communication to City Commission

The Complete Count Advisory Committee is requesting a budget of \$43,750, with the agreement that the Committee will return \$1 for every \$2 raised in promotional efforts.

The Complete Count Advisory Committee is requesting City of Fort Lauderdale Staff insert the Fort Lauderdale designed census logo in all email signature blocks (see logo attached).

In addition, the Complete Count Advisory Committee is requesting City Staff to include the census logo and information about the census in all City general, printed and online communication to the public including residents, businesses and visitors from now until the U.S census is complete.

Motion made by Jeffrey Thompson, seconded by David Brown. In a voice vote, the motion unanimously passed.



City of Fort Lauderdale Infrastructure Task Force Committee November 4, 2019

8th Floor City Commission Room – City Hall Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

MEMBERS		PRESENT	ABSENT
Marilyn Mammano	Р	29	1
Ralph Zeltman	Р	29	1
Peter Partington	Р	9	1
Roosevelt Walters	Р	26	4
Fred Stresau	Р	25	5
Norm Ostrau	Р	27	1
Jacquelyn Scott	Р	12	3
Gerald Angeli	Р	6	0

Staff Present

Aneisha Daniel, Deputy Director- Public Works

Talal Abi-Karam, P.E. Assistant Public Works Director - Utilities

Dr. Nancy Gassman, Assistant Public Works Director-Sustainability

Omar Castellon, Chief Engineer

Jill Prizlee, Chief Engineer

Fred Harris, Sr. Technology Strategist

Meredith Shuster. Senior Administrative Assistant

Pauline Ricketts, Administrative Assistant

Prototype-Inc. Recording Secretary, Tatiana

Roll was called at 2:02 p.m. and a quorum was established.

Communication to the City Commission

With a quorum present, the Infrastructure Task Force by consensus communicates to the City Commission:

- 1. It is in favor of broadly considering the Public, Private Partnership (P3) approach [for the replacement of the Fiveash Water Treatment Plant] providing that no form of P3 allows that the City give up ownership of the water, water quality or rate structure.
- 2. Prior to supporting a P3 the City should hire a consultant to evaluate the different type of P3's that would be appropriate and beneficial to the City on this project and further urges the City Commission to begin the process of finding said consultant sooner rather than later should the P3 approach be determined to be the direction the City Commission chooses.
- 3. The Infrastructure Task Force supports the purchase of an allocation from the C-51 Reservoir and executing a Capacity Allocation Agreement.