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**TO**: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

**DATE**: June 6, 2023

**TITLE**: Motion for Discussion – Relocation of City Hall Staff and City Records as

well as Storage/Liquidation of Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment

Contained in the City Hall Building - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

## Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission consider a motion directing the City Manager to begin the process of relocation of City staff and City records as well as storage/liquidation of furniture, fixtures, and equipment contained in the City Hall building in preparation for longer-term alternatives that will be presented at future City Commission meeting.

## **Background**

At the May 16, 2023 City Commission Conference Meeting, staff provided presentations on City Hall current status (in light of the damage resulting from the April flood event) and temporary City Hall relocation options. At the June 6, 2023 City Commission Conference meeting, staff provided an update on the City Hall status. The Commission has at least two options to consider. One of the options is to rehabilitate the existing building. Staff estimates that this process would require City Hall to remain inoperable for at least 20 months. Another option is to design and construct a new facility. This timeline may be longer than 36 months, depending on various factors such as procurement processes, design timelines, and new facility design criteria.

Based on the information provided at the Conference meetings, staff is requesting the City Commission approve a motion authorizing the City Manager to begin the process of vacating City Hall and continue longer term relocation of City staff and records as well as storage/liquidation of furniture, fixtures, and equipment contained in the City Hall building.

## **Resource Impact**

Resource impact will be reflected in a future Budget Amendment relating to the May flood event. The City will seek funding through FEMA and insurance to recover associated eligible expenses.

## **Strategic Connections**

This item supports the Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Internal Support Focus Area
- Goal 8: Build a leading government organization that manages all resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective: Maintain financial integrity through sound budgeting practices, prudent fiscal management, cost effective operations, and long-term planning.

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