



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

#24-0272

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

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: March 5, 2024

TITLE: Second Reading - Ordinance Amending Section 8-55.5 to Implement
Additional Mitigation Measures Related to High Impact Events on Beach
Property– **(Commission Districts 1, 2 and 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission amend an ordinance implementing mitigation measures related to High Impact Events on Beach Property to include up to the westernmost bank of the intracoastal waterway to the west, SE 17th Street to the south and NE 42nd Court to the north.

Background

In February of 2018, the City Commission adopted an ordinance implementing mitigation measures related to High Impact Events on beach Property due to an increased need for law enforcement intervention because of events and gatherings on Fort Lauderdale Beach. These events included Spring Break, national holidays, festivals and concerts held throughout the year. The ordinance empowered the City Manager to take specific actions to protect beach property from damage, property degradation and unauthorized uses. These actions included the prohibition of coolers, inflatable devices, tents and tables, and consumption of alcohol. They also included limiting live or amplified music, traffic routes or occupancy on the beach. The ordinance sunset and was repealed on August 16, 2018.

In February of 2019, the City Commission approved Ordinance C-19-03 to provide the City Manager with the prior level of authority and to add that scooters and other forms of dockless mobility programs and devices may be prohibited or limited during High Impact Events on the beach.

The proposed ordinance amendment will provide the City Manager with additional authority to impose immediate mitigating measures for high impact events. The City Manager, if enacting the High Impact Event on Beach Property, is required to notify the City Clerk and to distribute information through the City communication channels and with local news sources.

The proposed mitigating measure is the implementation of a high impact event parking rate of up to \$100 per calendar day per vehicle.

Resource Impact

There are no negative fiscal impacts associated with this action and the potential positive impact(s) will be contingent on if the prohibitive measures are implemented and the associated duration.

Strategic Connections

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

This item supports the Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan

- The Public Safety Focus Area
- The Coastal Management, Community Health and Safety Element
- Goal 2: Manage coastal areas to ensure public safety and to protect city investments and economic drivers.

Related CAM

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Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Ordinance

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