

#15-0161

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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: February 3, 2015

**TITLE**: Establishment of Pass-Through Provider and Communications Facility

**Provider Fees** 

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission enact an ordinance levying a pass-through provider fee on communications facilities located in the City's roads and rights-of-way in accordance with the provisions of Section 337.401(6), Florida Statutes.

## **Background**

The City has received and expects to continue to receive applications from pass-through providers of communications facilities to occupy the City's rights-of-way for the purpose of providing commercial communication services. Under Florida Law, the City may charge these providers with an annual fee not exceeding \$500 per lineal mile or portion thereof.

The proposed ordinance enacts the provider fee at the maximum amount of \$500 per lineal mile and provides for the mechanism and manner of collection. The fee would not be collected on any communication facility in the City's rights-of-way prior to the effective date of the ordinance.

## **Resource Impact**

There is anticipated a positive financial impact on the City's General Fund, however, that amount will be dependent of applications for facilities in the City's rights-of-way.

## **Strategic Connections**

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative, included in the **Neighborhood Enhancement Cylinder of Excellence**, specifically advancing

- Goal 5: Be a community of strong, beautiful, and healthy neighborhoods.
- **Objective 2**: Enhance the beauty, aesthetics, and environmental quality of neighborhoods.

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

**<u>Attachment:</u>** Ex 1 – Proposed Ordinance

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