#15-0379

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Cynthia A. Everett, City Attorney

DATE: March 17, 2015

TITLE: Consent Resolution approving reappointment of Code Enforcement

Special Magistrates

Recommendation

It is recommended that H. Mark Purdy, Esquire and Rose Anne Flynn, Esquire, be reappointed as Special Magistrates ending September 1, 2015.

Background

Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale was adopted to promote, protect and improve the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Fort Lauderdale by the creation of a code enforcement system. The Code of Ordinances establishes the use of Special Magistrates for hearing cases involving violations of municipal codes.

Currently H. Mark Purdy, Esquire and Rose Anne Flynn, Esquire, serve as the Special Magistrates for the City and will continue to hear cases pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 11 of the code of Ordinance of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The six (6) month appointment is predicated on an internal review by the City Attorney's Office of the upcoming changes to the Special Magistrate workload and number of hearings. Those changes include removal of the red light camera hearings and the addition of hearings for taxi cab permit violations, forty (40) year recertification violations and lien reductions.

Resource Impact

The resource impact for this action item is \$4,500.00 at the rate of \$375.00 for 12 Special Magistrate Hearings.

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Funds available as of March 11, 2015					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (PROGRAM)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
DSD040101	Community Inspections	3119/Legal Services	\$22,500.00	\$19,500.00	\$4,500.00
				PURCHASE TOTAL ▶	\$4,500.00

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale, Our Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within 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.
- Initiative 4: Implement findings from the Code Enforcement Process Improvement.

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

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 - Resolution

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