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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: May 5, 2015

TITLE: Imposition of Special Assessment Liens for Costs Associated with Lot

Clearing and Cleaning

# Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the imposition of a Special Assessment Lien for the costs associated with cleaning and removal of debris associated with the properties listed in Exhibit 1.

# Background

Pursuant to Section 18-14, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, the City cleaned and removed debris on the properties listed in the attached Exhibit 1. The exhibit lists the actual costs and expenses incurred by the City to abate the public nuisance. Those costs and expenses are to be recorded against the respective properties as a special assessment lien in the public records of Broward County, pursuant to Section 18-15 of the Code of Ordinances.

In accordance with the Section 18-13, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, the property owner was provided with notification to clean and clear the property within 10 days of the date of notice. Since compliance was not achieved within the required timeframe, the property was cleared and cleaned by the City. The Statement of Assessed Costs and Expenses was mailed to the property owner for reimbursement of those expenditures and has remained unpaid.

### **Resource Impact**

Should the City receive payment on the outstanding balance, there will be a positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$19,940.57.

#### **Strategic Connections:**

This item is a *Commission Annual Action Plan* priority, included within the Management Agenda, advancing the Code Compliance Process Improvement effort. This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Neighborhood Enhancement Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

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- 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 the finding from the Code Compliance Process Improvement.

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

# Attachment:

Exhibit 1 - Lot Clearing and Cleaning Report

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