



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

**#15-0768**

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

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

**DATE:** June 2, 2015

**TITLE:** Citywide Development Trends Part III - All Aboard Florida

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**Background**

On October 7, 2014 the City Commission requested to host a workshop to analyze trends and existing regulations that guide development patterns, in order to provide input on guiding future growth throughout the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The first workshop occurred on January 21, 2015. The minutes are provided as Exhibit 1. Following brief presentations from the City's real estate consultant, CBRE, as well as City staff, the City Commission discussed development trends and focus areas by commission district.

At the second March 24, 2015 workshop, the City Commission focused their discussion on the Central Beach and staff updated the City Commission on the Central Beach Master Plan effort, including a brief recap from the first workshop on the Downtown land use plan amendment. The minutes will be approved at the June 2, 2015 City Commission Meeting and are attached in draft form as Exhibit 2.

This third workshop will focus on the Fort Lauderdale Downtown Station associated with the All Aboard Florida project. Officials from All Aboard Florida will be in attendance and make a presentation outlining the future development plans for the transit oriented development center. The transit center investment is expected to provide connectivity to other local transportation networks, enhance the surrounding area through improvements to the public realm, and provide an overall benefit to downtown and the City.

**Resource Impact**

No resource impact is envisioned at this time. However, depending on future directives, there may be associated impacts to staff resources and budgets. Additional resources may be recommended for specific initiatives that are not currently funded or anticipated for Fiscal Years 2015 or 2016.

**Strategic Connections:**

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

- Goal 6: Be an inclusive community made up of district, complementary, and diverse neighborhoods.
- Objective 1: Evolve and update the land development code to balance neighborhood quality, character, and livability through sustainable development.
- Initiative 1: Examine land-use patterns and neighborhood development trends to recommend changes to the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) for optimal neighborhood growth.

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

**Attachments:**

Exhibit 1 - January 21, 2015 Development Workshop Part I Minutes

Exhibit 2 - Draft of March 24, 2015 Development Workshop Part II Minutes

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