

#15-0808

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: June 16, 2015

TITLE: Resolution Approving Interlocal Agreement with the Housing Authority of

the City of Fort Lauderdale

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution authorizing the proper City officials to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Housing Authority of the City of Fort Lauderdale (HACFL), in substantially the form attached, to support the City's Chronic Homeless Housing Collaborative (CHHC) Project, effective January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015.

Background

On December 17, 2013, the City Commission approved accepting and entering into a grant agreement with Broward County to fund the CHHC project with allocated funding from the U.S. Housing & Urban Development (HUD) funding. The Housing Authority of the City of Fort Lauderdale agreed to partner with the City for this project and provide housing units for program participants. The City entered into an interlocal agreement with the HACFL that is in accordance with the CHHC project requirements.

On February 3, 2015, after notification that the CHHC project was renewed by HUD and Broward County, the City Commission authorized City officials to accept and enter into a renewal agreement with Broward County in the amount of \$446,929. Within this funding, \$253,270.00 is dedicated specifically for the leasing of 22 apartment units from the Housing Authority.

On February 23, 2015, the City received notification from Broward County that the program was not compliant with the Code of Federal Regulations 578.49 – Leasing whereby all leases for the units should have been executed between the City, Housing Authority, and the program participant (tenant). To resolve the finding of non-compliance, the interlocal agreement contains third party "master leasing" language whereby the City, the Housing Authority, and the program participants will sign the lease agreement according to HUD's Code of Federal Regulation 24 CFR 578.49 and

Broward County requirements.

Resource Impact:

Funding for this project has been approved and authorized for appropriation by City Commission on February 3, 2015 via CAM # 15-0084 and Budget Amendment CAM #15-0010. There is no fiscal impact to the City as a result of this agenda item.

Strategic Connections:

This item is a *Commission Annual Action Plan* priority, included within the Policy Agenda, advancing the Comprehensive Homeless Strategy.

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative, included within the Public Places Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

o **Goal 3**: Be a community that finds opportunities and leverages partnerships to create unique, inviting and connected gathering places that highlight our beaches, waterways, urban areas, and parks.

 Objective 5: Work with partners to reduce homelessness by promoting independence and self-worth through advocacy, housing, and comprehensive services.

o **Initiative 2**: Implement a comprehensive short and long-term strategy with community partners to address Homelessness.

This item also furthers the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are Community.

Attachments:

EX 1 – Resolution

EX 2—Interlocal Agreement

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