



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
CONFERENCE MEETING

#15-0907

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

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

DATE: July 7, 2015

TITLE: YMCA at Holiday Park

Parks and Recreation staff has been approached by the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) with the possibility of developing a YMCA site at Holiday Park. The potential location for the facility is a City-owned vacant parcel on North Federal Highway directly west of Parker Playhouse.

Attached are several slides depicting what a future YMCA site may look like (Exhibit 1). Also, attached as Exhibit 2, is a term sheet relating to the potential development.. One item that remains outstanding is how to handle the current programs in the activity center located directly south of the proposed new YMCA. Both the YMCA and the City of Fort Lauderdale's Parks and Recreation Department believe it would be advantageous to move the current Gymnastics, Aikido, and Yoga programs to the new YMCA facility if funding for the additional square footage is available.

Staff is looking for direction on the proposed agreement and partnership with the YMCA.

Strategic Connections:

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

- 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 1: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, Riverwalk, waterways, parks and open spaces for everyone.
- Initiative 1: Create playful areas for all ages, considering families, active and passive sports and pets.

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

Attachments:

Ex 1 – Proposed YMCA at Holiday Park

Ex 2 – Term Sheet

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