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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: August 18, 2015

**TITLE**: Shippey House Update

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update regarding the progress of the Shippey House.

- On July 1, 2015, a 60 day extension was authorized by the City Manager defining the deadline date to both Friends of Shippey House (FOSH) and Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale (RFL) as August 31, 2015. All conditions precedent will have to be satisfied by that time which includes fund raising.
- On July 21, 2015 RFL received the satisfied Phase I Environmental Report.
- On Monday, July 24, 2015 a press release was issued by RFL to discuss the forward movement and what it will mean to the district (Exhibit 1).
- An estimate of \$27,000 was received for the re-roofing. FOSH is contemplating using fiberglass shingles to better align with the time period of the home and to reduce the cost.
- Full construction drawings for the Shippey House should be complete on or before August 14, 2015 and will be sent out for review and bid.
- As of July 17, 2015 \$49,500.00 in fundraising efforts has been deposited. There
  is a concern on whether all the needed funds for the exterior renovation will be
  acquired by August 31, 2015.

The following items still need to be addressed by FOSH:

Bill of Sale transferring ownership to RFL.

Staff will continue to provide the City Commission with monthly updates on fundraising efforts as well as any timeline issues.

## **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.

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

Attachment:

Exhibit 1 – Shippey House Press Release

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