



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

**#15-1224**

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

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

**DATE:** October 6, 2015

**TITLE:** Discussion Regarding FY 2016 State Legislative Priorities and  
Appropriation Requests

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The Commission contracts with two firms, Ericks Consultants, Inc. and Ronald L. Book, PA to assist the City with lobbying efforts at the State level. These firms will be advocating for the City's interests during the upcoming legislative session and throughout the year. In preparation for the legislative session, staff has prepared draft priorities for consideration by the City Commission to assist with providing direction to City staff, lobbyists and other interested parties as to the official position of the City of Fort Lauderdale regarding issues, pending legislation and funding requests that would affect the City.

The attached draft document presents legislative priorities and funding requests based on the City's 2016 Commission Annual Action Plan and other previously identified priorities. The drafted priorities are consistent with Florida League of Cities Legislative Action Agenda for 2016. The Broward League of Cities has not yet adopted their legislative plan for 2016. Staff will be bringing an agenda item to the City Commission on October 20, 2015 to formally adopt the priorities as discussed on October 6.

**Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Internal Support Cylinder, specifically advancing:

- Goal 12: Be a leading government organization, managing our resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management

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

**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 - FY 2016 State Legislative Priorities

Exhibit 2 - FY 2016 FLC Legislative Action Agenda

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