



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
OPEB Trust Board Agenda Memo  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**#15-1382**

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman of the Board & Trustees of the  
City of Fort Lauderdale Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust

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

**DATE:** November 17, 2015

**TITLE:** Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Investment Policy Revision

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees (Board) adopt a revision to the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust's Investment Policy allowing for investment in pooled vehicles.

**Background**

On September 16, 2014, the OPEB Trust was established to provide benefits to eligible former City employees. The City Commission was established by resolution as the Board of Trustees and the Finance Director as the Trust Administrator. The Trust operates in a manner similar to a pension plan, whereby the City makes annual contributions to the Trust to fund future benefits. Similar to pension plans, one of the Trust's goals is to provide a return on investment to minimize required City contributions.

The OPEB Trust Investment Policy was adopted on March 3, 2015. The Board has shown interest in passive investment strategies. In order for the OPEB Trust contributions to be invested in a manner consistent with the goals of the Board, the investment policy needs to be revised.

Policy revisions include:

**Section III. INVESTMENT GUIDELINES**

- Allows for investment in pooled vehicles (Funds) such as comingled funds, mutual funds, and/or exchange traded funds and offers the Funds the ability to appropriately diversify its holdings in a cost effective manner.

**Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact to the City.

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – OPEB Investment Policy

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