



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE**  
**City Commission Agenda Memo**  
**CRA BOARD MEETING**

**#16-0248**

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**TO:** CRA Chairman & Board of Directors  
Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency

**FROM:** Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, Executive Director

**DATE:** February 16, 2016

**TITLE:** Proposed Amendments to the Fort Lauderdale Community  
Redevelopment Agency (CRA) By-Laws

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the CRA Board of Directors approve proposed amendments to the CRA By-Laws.

**Background**

At the January 26, 2016 City Commission workshop, the organizational and financial structure of the CRA and the performance of the Northwest Progresso-Flagler Heights Community Development Area was discussed. During the discussion, the City Commission directed staff to draft an amendment to the CRA By-Laws to designate the City Auditor as the CRA Auditor. Staff proposes a number of other amendments that further clarify and update the By-Laws. The substantive proposed amendments include:

- Identifying the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency as the governing body for the three redevelopment areas with the City.
- Establishing Area Managers, under the supervision of the Executive Director, for each community redevelopment area.
- Changing the CRA Treasurer to the CRA Finance Director, and identifying the City's Finance Director as the CRA Finance Director.
- Eliminate the requirement that CRA employment contracts shall not exceed two years.
- In addition to complying with Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes, also requiring that the acquisition, conveyance and leasing of real property by the CRA comply with CRA policies and procedures as adopted by the Board of Commissioners.
- Requiring that the CRA follow the purchasing procedures of the City.

The CRA By-Laws with the proposed amendments are attached as Exhibit 1.

**Resource Impact**

There will be no fiscal impact to the City in FY16.

### **Strategic Connections**

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

- Goal 5: Be a community of strong, beautiful and healthy neighborhoods.
- Goal 6: Be an inclusive community made up of distinct, complementary, and diverse neighborhoods.

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

Attachment:

Exhibit 1 – CRA Amended By-Laws

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