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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: March 1, 2016

TITLE: Motion Approving Sovereignty Submerged Lands Lease for Submerged

Lands along the Riverwalk

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a sovereignty submerged lands lease for submerged lands along the Riverwalk between the City of Fort Lauderdale and the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida.

Background

The parcel of the sovereignty submerged land is adjacent to the ICON Project and Historic Stranahan House along the New River. The lease is for 10 years with an effective date of January 25, 2016. The City of Fort Lauderdale is authorized to construct and operate a public pedestrian walkway to be used exclusively for public access along the Riverwalk system in conjunction with upland public parks and commercial/retail destinations. Construction of the pedestrian parkway shall be completed within the first 5 years of the initial term.

Strategic Connections

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative, included within the Internal Support 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.

Resource Impact

There is a no fiscal impact to the City associated with this item.

<u>Attachments</u>
Exhibit 1 – Sovereignty Submerged Lands Fee Waived Lease
Exhibit 2 – Riverwalk FDEP Permit

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