



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

**#16-0493**

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

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

**DATE:** April 19, 2016

**TITLE:** Resolution Approving the Use of a 200,000 Barrel Capacity Fuel Storage  
Tank at Marathon Spangler Terminal, Port Everglades – Case Number  
A15014

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended the City Commission review the application pursuant to Section 47-15.20, Port Everglades Development District (PEDD), of the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) and adopt a resolution approving a 200,000 barrel capacity fuel storage tank as a use at the Marathon Spangler Terminal at Port Everglades.

**Background**

The applicant requests approval of the use of a 200,000 barrel capacity above ground steel storage tank intended to store blend-grade fuel on a 10-acre site, generally located on the northeast corner of SE 24<sup>th</sup> Street and Miami Road, at the Spangler Terminal in Port Everglades. The site is zoned Port Everglades Development District (PEDD). The existing site currently contains several above ground storage tanks utilized for fuel truck distribution. As indicated by the applicant, the new tank is proposed to meet increasing fuel demands. The proposed tank is 56-feet in height, 160-feet in diameter, and is white in order to match existing fuel tanks in the vicinity.

Staff reviewed the application on May 21, 2015 at the Administrative Review Committee meeting and the application and the record are available for review upon request with the Department of Sustainable Development.

This item was deferred from the November 3, 2015 agenda in order for the applicant to discuss and clarify the request with the abutting neighborhood association. At the subsequent City Commission meeting on January 20, 2016 the item was deferred again. Since that time, the applicant held several meetings with residents of the Village East condominiums, which directly abut the property. As a result of those meetings, the applicant has amended the site plan to shift the proposed tank 50 feet to the south and has agreed to replace and provide additional landscape improvements including trees along the buffer wall. The revised site plan is provided as Exhibit 1. The applicant's narrative, which has been revised to include additional information regarding operational components, is provided as Exhibit 2.

The applicant has been working with the staff and the adjacent residential development, Village East Homeowners Association, on a landscaping plan that will provide an additional buffer between the two properties. The proposed vegetative screening plan is included as Exhibit 4.

Pursuant to Section 47-15 of the ULDR, Port Everglades Development District (PEDD), the City Commission shall consider the proposed storage tank's compatibility with other uses in the vicinity and any potentially harmful or dangerous effects of such uses on persons and property when determining whether to approve the use.

The applicant has supplied stamped letters from the Broward County Sheriff's Office Fire Marshal, and the City of Fort Lauderdale Fire Department indicating no objection to the proposal, attached as Exhibit 3.

### **Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

### **Strategic Connections**

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

- Goal 7: Be a well-positioned City within the global economic and tourism markets of the South Florida region, leveraging our airports, port, and rail connections.
- Objective 2: Facilitate a responsive and proactive business climate.

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

Should the Commission approve the proposed 200,000 barrel capacity fuel storage tank, the following conditions apply:

1. Applicant executes a declaration regarding maintenance obligation for the landscaping improvements, approved as to form by the City Attorney's Office.

### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Site Plan

Exhibit 2 – Applicant's Narrative

Exhibit 3 – BSO Fire Marshal and City Fire Department Letters

Exhibit 4 – Vegetative Screening Plan

Exhibit 5 – Resolution

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