



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#16-0921

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

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

DATE: September 7, 2016

TITLE: Ordinance Amending Stormwater Management Rates

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve an Ordinance amending Sec. 28-197 of the City's Code of Ordinances to increase the stormwater management rates in excess of 5% for a rate of \$8.00 per unit for residential properties with three units or less (customer category I); \$80.64 per acre for commercial, industrial and residential properties with more than three units (customer category II), and \$25.56 per acre for vacant land, parks and well fields (customer category III).

Background

Due to its unique geography, varied infrastructure conditions and the need for an increased level of service due to sea level rise and increased storm events, the City has identified significant investment needs in its stormwater infrastructure.

The City's FY 2017 Proposed Budget includes a monthly stormwater management rate of \$8.00 for residential properties with three units or less, which is an increase of \$2.00 from the FY 2016 rates. The rate for commercial, industrial, and residential properties with more than 3 units is \$80.64 per acre which is an increase of \$20.16 from FY 2016 rates and the rate included for vacant land, parks, and well fields is \$25.56 per acre which is an increase of \$6.39 from FY 2016 rates. A rate comparison is provided below:

Stormwater Fee
Effect of Monthly Increase on Neighbors

Stormwater Charge	Old Rate	Proposed Rate	\$ Change
Residential <= 3 Units	\$6.00/unit	\$8.00/unit	\$2.00/unit
Commercial, Industrial, and Residential > 3 Units	\$60.48/acre	\$80.64/acre	\$20.16/acre
Vacant Land, Parks, and Well Fields	\$19.17/acre	\$25.56/acre	\$6.39/acre

Resource Impact

The increased Stormwater fee rates will result in an estimated annual increase of \$3,000,000 and total projected revenues of \$11,500,000.

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*.

Related CAMs

#16-0920; #16-0923

Attachment

Exhibit 1: Ordinance

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