



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#16-0931

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

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

DATE: September 12, 2016

TITLE: Resolution Adopting the FY 2017 Fire Assessment and Assessment Roll
for Provision of Fire Services, Programs and Facilities

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission hold a public hearing and adopt the annual rate resolution for the fire assessment for the City of Fort Lauderdale for Fiscal Year 2017, beginning October 1, 2016 and ending September 30, 2017.

Background

The City Commission authorized the creation of the Fire Assessment Program to fund the fire services, facilities, and/or programs that will benefit the City in its entirety, such as facility improvements, special equipment, and cost of fire suppression operations on June 15, 1999 (Ordinance C-99-49). The City adopted the Preliminary Rate Resolution #16-116 on July 12, 2016, in accordance with Section 2.08 of Ordinance C-99-49. The resolution, among other things, established an assessment rate to fund continued fire services and operations for fiscal year 2017.

The City proposes a \$256 per single family residential property, which is an increase of \$31 from the prior year. For fiscal year 2017, the proposed assessment is \$39,341,576 which is estimated to generate \$38,161,329 in revenue to the General Fund. This will represent full (100%) cost recovery of fire suppression services for FY 2017.

The City Manager is required per state statute (Section 197.3632 (2) Florida Statutes) to certify the non-ad valorem assessment rate to the Broward County Tax Collector no later than September 15, 2016.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action. This special assessment rate will generate approximately \$38,161,329 in revenue for Fiscal Year 2017.

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*.

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Attachments

Exhibit 1 - FY 2017 Fire Assessment Rate Schedule

Exhibit 2 - FY 2017 Proposed Comparable City Fire Assessment Rates

Exhibit 3 - Sun-Sentinel Advertisement

Exhibit 4 - Resolution

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