#16-1207

**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: October 5, 2016

**TITLE**: Resolution Approving a Lease Agreement with Nova Southeastern

University, Inc. for the Property at 3100 SW 8 Avenue

### Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution pursuant to Charter Section 8.13 declaring the City's intent to lease the property at 3100 SW 8 Avenue, the legal description for which is described in Exhibit 1, to Nova Southeastern University.

## **Background**

In 1966 the City of Fort Lauderdale entered into a fifty (50) year lease with the Fort Lauderdale Oral School at the property located at 3100 SW 8 Avenue. At the July 19, 1983, City Commission Meeting, the City Commission approved an assignment of the lease to Nova University, Inc. (now known as Nova Southeastern University, Inc.). As the fifty (50) lease is set to expire, Nova Southeastern University, Inc. has asked for a further five (5) year lease of the property (Exhibit 2). On August 16, 2016, the City Commission adopted Resolution No. 16-122 (Exhibit 3) declaring the City's intent to lease the property at 3100 SW 8 Avenue to Nova Southeastern University, Inc. for a term of five (5) years. At the September 20, 2016, City Commission Meeting a resolution extending the public hearing date to October 5, 2016, was approved.

The lease with Nova Southeastern University, Inc. will be for \$1.00 a year. Currently the building on the property is vacant. The lease stipulates that permissible use of property shall be consistent with the public good. Any other use shall require the written consent of the City of Fort Lauderdale, in its sole discretion, and such uses must be consistent with the spirit and intent of Section 8.13 of the City Charter as determined by the City Commission. Nova Southeastern University shall maintain the property in a good state of repair and be charged with full maintenance obligations of the property.

#### **Strategic Connections**

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

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 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.

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

# **Resource Impact**

There is a positive fiscal year impact of \$1.00.

#### Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Legal Description

Exhibit 2 - Letter from Nova Southeastern University President Hanbury

Exhibit 3 – Resolution 16-122

Exhibit 4 – Lease Agreement

Exhibit 5 – Proposed Resolution

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