



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

**#16-1368**

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

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

**DATE:** December 6, 2016

**TITLE:** Ordinance Related to the Charge for Services for Palm Frond Collection  
Services in the Las Olas Isles

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Section 24-47 (7) amending the cost of service for the Las Olas Isles palm frond collection services.

**Background**

The City of Fort Lauderdale provides for the weekly removal of royal palm fronds from the area described as Las Olas Isles, consisting of the Las Olas Isles north and south of East Las Olas Boulevard from the Sospiro Canal Bridge east to the Intracoastal Waterway. Neighbors in the designated service area are charged a special fee of \$2.50 per residential unit. This service has been provided since 2002.

On July 1, 2016, the Procurement Services Division issued an Invitation to Bid (ITB) 863-11782 for palm frond collection services for Las Olas Isles. The bid from Weed-A-Way has met all of the specifications of the ITB and has been deemed the lowest cost, responsive and responsible bidder with an annual estimated cost for collections of \$72,570. The City funds all disposal costs related to this service, with an estimated annual cost of \$3,200. Anticipated start of this contract is January 2, 2017.

The City collects revenues from 1,062 residential units in the designated service area. To meet the escalating costs of performing this service, the fee will need to be increased from \$2.50 per residential unit to \$5.95 per residential unit.

Staff has contacted the Homeowners Associations within the Las Olas Isles service area that would be impacted by this change and explained both the contract changes and the need to increase the fees collected.

**Resource Impact**

Revenue related to this action will be included in the FY 2017 operating budget in the accounts listed below contingent upon the approval of the Consolidated Budget

Amendment CAM 16-1329.

<b>Funds available as of October 26, 2016</b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>INDEX NAME (Program)</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
409-PBS010504-J189	Finance-Sanitation	Palm Frond Fees	\$31,860	\$2,654	\$32,975.10
			<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL ►</b>		\$32,975.10

### **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 12: Be a leading government organization, managing resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management.

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

### **Related CAMs**

CAM #16-1362

CAM #16-1329

### **Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Ordinance- First Reading

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