



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#17-0204

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

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

DATE: March 21, 2017

TITLE: Motion to Execute a Third Restrictive Covenant for Museum of Discovery
and Science

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion executing a Third Restrictive Covenant (Exhibit 1) for Museum of Discovery and Science providing for it to be maintained as a cultural facility in compliance with the State of Florida, Division of Cultural Affairs' Cultural Facilities Grant Program.

Background

Museum of Discovery and Science, Inc. (MODS) has been approved to receive a Cultural Facilities Grant, in the amount of \$500,000, from the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs' (Division) Cultural Facilities Grant Program. The grant will assist in project funding for Museum Expansion and Renewal: Facility Renovation Phase II which will be administered by MODS. The Program requires the recordation of a Restrictive Covenant to ensure that the facility will be used as a "cultural facility" for at least ten (10) years following the execution of the grant award agreement. A cultural facility is defined as a building which shall be used primarily for the programming, production, presentation, exhibition or any combination of the above functions of any of the cultural disciplines, such as: music, dance, theatre, creative writing, literature, painting, sculpture, folks arts, photography, crafts, media arts, and historical and science museums. Last year the City Commission approved a Restrictive Covenant enabling MODS to receive a 2016 State Cultural Facilities Grant for Phase I of the museum expansion.

As a condition to receipt of the grant funds, MODS shall record this Restrictive Covenant in the public records with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Broward County, Florida; pay all fees associated with its recording; and provide a certified copy to the Division and to the City.

Resource Impact

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There is no financial impact associated with this item.

Strategic Connection:

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

- 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.
- Objective 2: Enhance the City's identity and appearance through well-maintained green space, parks, major corridors, gateways, and medians.

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

Attachment:

Exhibit 1 – Restrictive Covenant

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