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TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: October 3, 2017

TITLE: WALK ON - Motion Accepting Recommendations for the 2016-2017

Citizens Recognition Awards

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion accepting the Citizens Committee of Recognition recommendations for the 2016-2017 Citizen Recognition Awards.

Background

The Citizens Committee of Recognition met on Thursday, August 31, 2017 to consider nominations for those citizens most deserving of recognition in 2016-2017. Following discussion, the Committee voted to recommend the individuals listed below for the awards. Descriptions of the nominees are attached as Exhibit 1. A draft of the minutes from the Committee meeting is attached as Exhibit 2.

Citizen of the Year – Mary Fertig
Distinguished Citizen – Ronald Centamore
Honored Founder – The Late Terry Stiles
Exemplary Former City Employee – The Late Freddie "Gene" Dempsey

Upon confirmation by the City Commission, the honorees will be officially notified of their selection. The proposed date for the City Commission to recognize the honorees at the awards ceremony is November 7, 2017 pending the availability of the honorees and their families.

Resource Impact

There is no resource impact associated with this CAM.

Strategic Connection

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

- Goal 5: Be a community of strong, beautiful, and healthy neighborhoods.
- **Objective 1:** Increase neighbor engagement and improve communication networks within and among neighborhoods.

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Nominee Descriptions

Exhibit 2 – Citizens Committee of Recognition Draft Minutes – August 31, 2017

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