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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: October 17, 2017

TITLE: Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. C-17-26 of the City of Fort

Lauderdale, Florida, by Correcting the Definition of "Mandatory Commission Approval Amount" Contained in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Procurement Ordinance

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve an ordinance amending Ordinance No. C-17-26 of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, by correcting errors in the definition of "Mandatory Commission Approval Amount" contained in the City of Fort Lauderdale Procurement Ordinance.

Background

On September 6, 2017, the City replaced the Purchasing Code to implement best practices and enhancements (Commission Agenda Memo #17-0526). The new Ordinance will maximize the efficiencies of limited staff resources in the Procurement Services Division, while maintaining existing key policies and procedures.

This ordinance is to correct errors in Section 2-173 – Definition of Terms, to accurately describe the City's purchasing thresholds by revising the ordinance section as shown below.

Mandatory Commission Approval Amount: The minimum procurement award or rejection amount at which City Commission approval is required. The mandatory Commission approval amount shall be equal to or greater than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) total expenditure for the initial contract term-or, in the case of a term contract, not exceedingequal to or greater than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) per term, excluding price adjustments. Purchases for items delineated per Section 2-176 (e) of this Ordinance shall be exempt from the mandatory Commission approval amount and shall be acquired at reasonable prices from qualified sources. Purchases not exceeding the mandatory commission approval amount may be made in accordance with the Procurement Manual.

The corrections do not affect current Commission approval levels; the thresholds remain the same as before the new Code was approved. The amendment simply clarifies the threshold and should reduce any conflicts in interpretation.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal year impact associated with this action.

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.
- Objective 2: Achieve excellent procurement services through technological advancements, improved procedures and outreach programs.

This item also furthers the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are United.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Ordinance – First Reading

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