



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

**#17-1005**

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

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

**DATE:** December 19, 2017

**TITLE:** Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida,  
Amending Resolution Nos. 16-192, 16-206, and 17-136 to Extend the  
Term of the Innovative Development (ID) District Advisory Committee and  
the Terms of the ID District Advisory Committee Members, and Providing  
for an Effective Date

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution extending the timeframe for the Innovative Development (ID) District Advisory Committee, providing for an extension to the length of term of the ID Advisory Committee.

**Background**

The Innovative Development (ID) District Ordinance, part of the City's Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR), Section 47-37A, was created as a result of public concerns that the former Planned Unit Development (PUD) District Ordinance, ULDR Section 47-37.1, did not contain appropriate criteria for rezoning properties to a PUD, and is intended to permit development that may not otherwise be permitted under the City's existing code.

Based on these concerns, on April 20, 2011 the City Commission, through Resolution 11-114, formed a Planned Unit Development Zoning District Advisory Committee of various experts and representatives to evaluate the PUD Ordinance and make suggested recommendations. The committee worked extensively over a period of 18 months, which resulted in a proposal to create an "Innovative Development" Ordinance with new criteria, while retaining the existing PUD regulations for applications approved prior to the effective date of the new proposed ID Ordinance. Subject to the PUD Committee proposal, the City Commission adopted ordinance C-13-42 on October 1, 2013.

In the approximately three years since adoption of the ID Zoning Ordinance, the City has received two Development Review Applications requesting ID rezoning. The applications include the "Live Galleria" project and the "Bahia Mar" project. The "Bahia Mar" project proceeded to the City Commission for approval, but the applicant withdrew the application prior to the City Commission taking final action. The "Live Galleria"

project was formally withdrawn, at the request of the applicant, at the June 20, 2017 City Commission meeting.

The two development applications seeking ID zoning have initiated concerns from various members of the public relative to the implementation of the ID zoning regulations and application of the ID criteria. On September 20, 2016, the City Commission requested that the former Planned Unit Development Zoning District (PUD) Advisory Committee be re-established as the Innovative Development District Advisory Committee to review current ID zoning regulations and suggest recommendations to the City Commission. On November 1, 2016, the City Commission adopted a Resolution establishing the ID Advisory Committee, providing for the membership qualifications, length of term, and purpose and duties of the ID Advisory Committee.

The ID Advisory Committee conducted its first meeting on January 27, 2017, and has met four times since January, the exception being the month of March where there was no meeting. At the first meeting, the Committee focused their discussion on the intent and goals, general rules and procedures for Committee and Board members, and elected a chair and vice-chair. Subsequent meetings have included extensive discussion regarding the overall implementation of the ID ordinance and the desire for additional public input.

At the May 26, 2017 meeting, the ID Advisory Committee voted to send a communication to the City Commission requesting a six month extension. The resolution creating the committee has a sunset date of July 12, 2017, and the requested extension would be to January 31, 2018.

The purpose for the extension would be to address the following:

- Provide adequate time to plan and conduct a public meeting for input;
- Subsequent to the public meeting, compile information and develop an approach for revisions;
- Develop specific recommendations; and
- Allow for a timeframe consistent with the timeframe used in creating the ID ordinance.

The City Commission approved the extension through Resolution 17-136, providing a sunset date of January 31, 2018. Since the extension was approved, the ID Advisory Committee spent several meetings preparing for a public meeting. On October 25, 2017, a public meeting was held to gather input on the ID ordinance. Attendance was less than 20 people and all those attending completed a questionnaire form. Staff is coordinating with the Public Information Office to gather greater feedback by sending the questionnaire out via several communication channels. Given these efforts, the ID Advisory Committee is requesting an additional six month extension to review the results and formulate recommendations to the City Commission. Should the extension be granted the new expiration date would be July 31, 2018.

**Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

**Strategic Connections**

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

- Goal 6: Be an inclusive community made up of distinct, complementary, and diverse neighborhoods.
- Objective 1: Evolve and update the land development code to balance neighborhood quality, character, and livability through sustainable development.
- Initiative 1: Examine land use patterns and neighborhood development trends to recommend changes to the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) for optimal neighborhood growth, including parking, landscaping, setbacks, change of use and reuse, etc.

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

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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