

RESOLUTION NO. 18-45

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING AND APPROVING A UNIFIED FLEX ZONE POLICY AND STRATEGY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THE UNIFIED FLEX POLICY AND STRATEGY TO THE BROWARD COUNTY PLANNING COUNCIL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 47-28 of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida Unified Land Development Regulations (hereinafter "ULDR") sets forth flexibility rules which permit the City of Fort Lauderdale (hereinafter "City") to allocate residential dwelling and commercial acreage without requiring an amendment to the Broward County Land Use Plan (hereinafter "BCLUP"); and

WHEREAS, the City has eighteen (18) fixed geographic areas designated as flexibility zones which provides limits on the number of additional dwelling units and additional commercial acreage which may be permitted by the City's Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to unify the City's 18 flexibility zones into a single citywide flexibility zone to establish a framework for future growth; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2017, City staff presented to the City Commission an overview of a Unified Flex Policy and Strategy and was directed to proceed forward with transmitting the policy to the Broward County Planning Council (BCPC) for review and approval; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on December 20, 2017, the Planning and Zoning Board, acting as the Local Planning Agency, recommended that the City Commission adopt the Unified Flex Policy and Strategy Document (Exhibit 1 to Commission Agenda Memorandum No. 18-0161); and

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2018, the City Commission recommended that City staff present its proposed Citywide Unified Flex Policy and Strategy to the Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations (CFLCA); and

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2018, City staff completed its presentation to the CFLCA, and the CFLCA passed a motion to support the City's Unified Flex Policy and Strategy noting some concerns that new flex density may exacerbate traffic conditions along the major transit corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Broward County Land Use Plan (BCLUP), and the City's Comprehensive Plan, establishes flexibility rules which allow municipalizes to adjust a predetermined amount of residential units or nonresidential land use acreage within designated flexibility zones, commonly referred to as flex zones, and to propose new flex zones or unify flex zones under the BCLUP requiring the adoption of a new flex policy as part of the process; and

WHEREAS, the unified flex policy will also be included as part of an update to the City's Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR), completed in 2016;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:


SECTION 1. That the recitals set forth above are incorporated in this Resolution.

SECTION 2. That the City Commission hereby adopts and approves the Unified Flex Policy and Strategy attached as exhibit 2 to Commission Agenda Memorandum No. 18-0161 and authorizes the City Manager to transmit a copy of the Unified Flex Policy and Strategy to the Broward County Planning Council.

SECTION 3. That the Policy shall take effect upon approval by the Broward County Planning Council.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED this the 6th day of March, 2018.



Mayor
JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:



City Clerk
JEFFREY A. MODARELLI