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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: March 20, 2018

TITLE: Motion Approving an Interlocal Agreement with Broward County renewing

the "Original" Local Option Gas Tax for a period of 29 years and 4 months

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve an Interlocal Agreement with Broward County ("County") which renews the "Original" Six-Cent Local Option Gas Tax levied in 1988 for a period of 29 years and 4 months through December 31, 2047, in substantially the form attached.

Background

Since 1988, the City has received a share of taxes levied by Broward County under the terms of an Interlocal Agreement and amendments thereto, which will expire on August 31, 2018. Pursuant to State Law, this tax must be utilized for transportation-related purposes and may be distributed among the municipalities according to a distribution formula established by agreement with one or more of the municipalities representing a majority of the incorporated population within the County. The County retains the proceeds and distributes portions to eligible municipalities based on population estimates published annually by the University of Florida Bureau of Economics and Business Research (BEBR) as previously incorporated into the agreement through annual amendments.

Since inception, the County has retained 62.5% of the proceeds and distributed the remaining 37.5% of the proceeds from the six-cent gas tax to eligible municipalities based on population estimates as published. The University of Florida Bureau of Economics and Business Research's (BEBR) estimates indicate that the City of Fort Lauderdale's estimated population for 2017 increased by 1.3% or 2,316 from the 2016 population of 176,747. Although the City's population increased, the 2017 population estimate of 179,063 remains the same percentage (9.6%) of the incorporated County population as 2016. Based upon this information, the City of Fort Lauderdale's percentage share of the gas tax proceeds will remain unchanged.

Fiscal Impact

The State of Florida Department of Revenue provides estimates of this revenue source each year. The amount budgeted for Fiscal Year 2019, based on the 2018 Amendment, will be determined using that estimate. The Fiscal Year 2018 budgeted amount for this revenue source is approximately \$1.9 million.

Strategic Connections

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative, included within the Internal Support Cylinder, specifically advancing:

- Goal 12: Be a leading government organization, managing our resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Six-cent Local Option Gas Tax Interlocal Agreement

Exhibit 2 – "Original" Six-cent Local Option Gas Tax Administrative Chart

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