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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: May 15, 2018

TITLE: Motion Approving Two Interlocal Agreements with Broward County for the

Distribution of Gas Taxes

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve two 2018 Amendments to Interlocal Agreements with Broward County related to the distribution of Gas Taxes by the County.

Background

Since 1988, the City has been receiving a share of taxes levied by Broward County under the terms of an Interlocal Agreement and various amendments thereto. Pursuant to State Law, the tax must be utilized for transportation-related purposes and extended annually by agreement with one or more of the municipalities representing a majority of the incorporated population within the County. Since inception of the agreement, 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). The two interlocal agreements and amendments are summarized below:

- The "additional" local option gas tax agreement levied in 1994 provides for Cities to receive 51.27% of three cents of gas tax. The Cities' share of this gas tax has increased over the years due to annexations; however, there were no annexations of populated areas so the Cities' share of the three cents of gas tax will remain the same as last year. As a result, this amendment adjusts each City's percentage share of the 51.27% based on updated population figures.
- The "transit gas tax" agreement levied in 2001 provides for Cities to receive 26% of the proceeds of one cent of gas tax. This amendment includes adjustments to each City's percentage share based on updated population figures.

The University of Florida Bureau of Economics and Business Research's (BEBR) estimates indicate that the City of Fort Lauderdale's population for Fiscal Year 2019 is

179,063 (9.63% of the incorporated County population) as compared to the Fiscal Year 2017 estimate of 176,747 (9.61% of the incorporated County population); this represents an increase of 0.02% of the incorporated population within the County.

Fiscal Impact

The State of Florida Department of Revenue provides estimates of this revenue source in June. The amount budgeted for Fiscal Year 2019, based on the 2018 Amendment, will be determined using the State's estimate. The Fiscal Year 2018 budgeted amount for these two revenue sources combined 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 – Additional Local Option Gas Tax

Exhibit 2 - Fifth Cent Additional Local Option Gas Tax

Exhibit 3 – Original Six-Cent Local Option Gas Tax

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