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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: June 19, 2018

TITLE: Stormwater Rate Study and Structure

Background

Due to its unique geography, varied infrastructure conditions and the need for an increased level of service due to sea level rise and increased storm events, the City has identified significant investment needs in its stormwater infrastructure.

Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. conducted a rate study for the City. The scope of the study was to evaluate the performance of the current rate structure and the service delivery configuration of the system. The scope also included the development of an alternative rate structure that will equitably recover the costs of the stormwater system from properties throughout the City in proportion to the benefit that each property receives from the stormwater system.

Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. presented this information to the Budget Advisory Board (BAB) at their meeting on June 12, 2018. The Budget Advisory Board approved a motion recommending that the City Commission change the methodology used for stormwater charges from using impervious surface to a trip generation model.

Resource Impact

There is no current fiscal impact to the City; however, the Stormwater Rate Study may provide significant resources to fund the construction and maintenance of important stormwater infrastructure in the future.

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.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Stormwater Rate Study and Structure

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