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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**: Quasi-Judicial Resolution to Approve an Access Easement Vacation –

RIVERPARC SQUARE Located at 501 S. Andrews Avenue – Ocita

Properties - Case E18008

### Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution vacating the access easement which runs east and west through the central portion of the subject property located at 501 S. Andrews Avenue. The request satisfies the provisions of the City's Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR), Section 47-24.7, Vacation of Easement.

# **Background**

The proposed easement vacation application is part of a request to develop the Southside CityCentre project, a 2,296,006-square foot mixed use development located at 501 S. Andrews Avenue. The applicant proposes to vacate a 24 foot by 159 foot access easement. The applicant will be responsible for relocating any utilities known or unknown and found to be within the vacated area during the development permitting process.

The City's Development Review Committee (DRC) reviewed the application on April 10, 2018, and all comments have been addressed. The application and record are available for review upon request with the Department of Sustainable Development. The ingress/egress access easement location map is attached as Exhibit 1. The application, applicant's narrative responses to the vacation of easement criteria and letters of no objection from the utility providers are attached as Exhibit 2. The sketch and legal description are provided as Exhibit 3.

The City Commission shall consider the application, the record, staff recommendation, and public comment on the application when determining whether the application meets the criteria for vacation.

Should the Commission approve the proposed vacation, the following conditions apply:

- Any City infrastructure known or unknown and found to be within the vacated area shall be relocated at the expense of the applicant and the relocated facilities shall be required to be inspected and accepted by the City's Public Works Department; and
- Any other utility infrastructure known or unknown and found to be within the vacated area shall be relocated at the expense of the applicant and the relocated facilities shall be required to be inspected and accepted by the applicable utility agency or service provider.

### **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 Business Development Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 7: Be a well- positioned City within the global economic and tourism markets of the South Florida region, leveraging our airports, port, and rail connections.
- Objective 2: Facilitate a responsive and proactive business climate.

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

#### Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Access Easement Location Map

Exhibit 2 – Application, Applicant's Narratives and Criteria and Letters of No Objection from Private Utility Providers

Exhibit 3 – Sketch and Legal Description

Exhibit 4 – Resolution

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