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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: October 23, 2018

TITLE: Future Use of War Memorial Auditorium

The War Memorial Auditorium is currently used to host a variety of events as well as indoor pickelball. The Florida Crushers and Anschutz Entertainment Group (AEG) have requested to make a presentation to the Commission on their respective interests in converting the War Memorial Auditorium to meet their needs. The Florida Crushers are interested in constructing an indoor futsal facility which is very similar to soccer. Ms. Lori Frannke, will present the proposal for The Florida Crushers.

Jeff Chabon representing AEG will present their interest in taking over the facility as a concert venue.

In addition to Florida Crushers and AEG, the Florida Panthers continue to show interest in utilizing the War Memorial for ice skating and other recreational opportunities.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Florida Crushers Presentation

Exhibit 2 – AEG Presentation

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