

#19-0018

**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE**: February 19, 2019

**TITLE**: Discussion Regarding 2019 Federal Legislative Priorities and Funding

Requests for the City of Fort Lauderdale

The Commission contracts with Alcalde & Fay, Ltd. Inc, to assist the City with lobbying efforts at the Federal level. This firm will be advocating for the City's interests throughout the year. Staff has worked with our consultant to draft priorities for consideration by the City Commission. These priorities will assist with providing direction to City staff, lobbyists and other interested parties as to the official position of the City of Fort Lauderdale regarding Federal issues, pending legislation and funding requests that would affect the City.

The attached draft document presents Federal legislative priorities and funding requests based on the City's 2019 Commission Annual Action Plan and other previously identified priorities. The Commission will formally adopt its priorities on March 5, 2019 after the Conference meeting discussion and direction has been incorporated.

## **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 **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 – Draft 2019 Federal Legislative Priorities and Funding Requests

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