



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#19-0209

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: February 19, 2019

TITLE: Resolution Declaring Notice of Intent to Lease City Owned Property Known
as War Memorial Auditorium Located at 800 NE 8 Street to War Memorial
Benefit Corporation

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution pursuant to Charter Section 8.13 declaring the City's intent to lease City owned property known as War Memorial Auditorium located at 800 NE 8 Street to War Memorial Benefit Corporation, a social purpose corporation of the Florida Panthers.

Background

Per section 8.13 of the Charter, the City of Fort Lauderdale is authorized to lease to civic and charitable organizations for a maximum of fifty (50) years to be used by the lessee for purposes consistent with the public good. The War Memorial Benefit Corporation will provide a public benefit by: (i) renovating War Memorial Auditorium for public recreation and sports; (ii) provide facilities for public skating, recreational hockey, youth hockey, youth figure skating, indoor lacrosse, indoor soccer and other sports and fitness activities, and (iii) improve the community's health and fitness.

To initiate the process of leasing to a civic organization, under Section 8.13 of the Charter, the City Commission will first adopt a Resolution declaring the City's intent to lease the property to War Memorial Benefit Corporation for a maximum term of fifty (50) years for an annual rent of one dollar (\$1.00) subject to further terms and conditions. The final lease agreement will be presented before Commission on April 16, 2019.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Strategic Connections

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative, included within the Internal Support Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 12: Be a leading government organization, managing resources wisely and sustainably
- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management

- Initiative 1: Achieve a structurally balanced budget through viable revenue sources, smart financial management, comprehensive financial forecasting, and results-oriented and efficient services

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Legal Description

Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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