



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

**#19-0660**

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

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

**DATE:** July 9, 2019

**TITLE:** Motion to Approve an Interlocal Agreement with Lauderdale-By-The-Sea  
for the Use of the City of Fort Lauderdale's Debris Management Sites in  
the Event of a Hurricane or Disaster **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and  
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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with Lauderdale-By-The-Sea for the use of the City of Fort Lauderdale's Debris Management Sites in the aftermath of a hurricane or other natural or man-made disaster.

**Background**

Debris Management Sites (DMS) are locations that are used to stage and process community debris loads generated in the wake of a disaster, such as a hurricane. Contractors collecting debris after an event are required to take their debris loads to permitted DMS where the materials are dumped, reduced through chipping or other approved methods, sorted and then reloaded and hauled for final disposal.

On September 10, 2017 Hurricane Irma made landfall in Broward County as a Category 1 storm on the Saffir-Simpson scale, generating nearly 460,000 cubic yards of debris in the City of Fort Lauderdale alone. Neighboring municipalities including Lazy Lake, Lauderdale-By-The-Sea and Wilton Manors reached out to the City of Fort Lauderdale to request to use the City's DMS as a means to expedite recovery in their communities in the wake of fuel shortages and contractor shortages as well as the limited availability of other DMS and disposal locations. Lauderdale-By-The-Sea is a small barrier island community of approximately 6,000 residents with limited resources for hurricane and disaster recovery. The City processed a total of 6,901 cubic yards of debris from Lauderdale-By-The-Sea as a result of Hurricane Irma recovery activities. These activities were easily assimilated into the City's operations and the City was reimbursed in full for all costs associated with Lauderdale-By-The-Sea's debris. Under the attached ILA, the City of Fort Lauderdale would provide similar access to our DMS to Lauderdale-By-The-Sea in the event of a future hurricane or disaster.

The City of Fort Lauderdale currently has four permitted DMS to support debris processing needs with the capacity to process debris generated for up to a Category 2 hurricane on

the Saffir-Simpson scale. The City also participates in an Interlocal Agreement with Broward County for the use of their DMS (CAM #18-0315) in the event there is a more significant storm event impacting the City.

### **Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact to the City for this item.

### **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within Public Safety Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 10: Be a City well-prepared for and responsive to all hazards.

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

### **Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Interlocal Agreement

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