#19-0551

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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: July 9, 2019

**TITLE**: Ordinance Amending Section 47-27.4 of the Unified Land Development

Regulations (ULDR) Modifying the Notice Requirements for Development Permit Applications that Require Approval by the Planning and Zoning Board or City Commission - Case No. T19003 – (Commission Districts

1, 2, 3 and 4)

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve an ordinance amending the notice requirements in the City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) Section 47-27.4, to require applicants to notify property owners within two-hundred (200) feet of the proposed project and notify City-recognized civic organization(s) within three-hundred (300) feet of the proposed project of the date, time, and place of the project presentation meeting that occurs prior to the Planning and Zoning Board Meeting.

#### Background

At the February 20, 2019, Planning and Zoning Board (PZB) meeting, a motion was made by Ms. Fertig, and seconded by Mr. Cohen, that in the interest of providing additional notification to neighbors regarding development projects, the City Commission direct the City Manager to request staff modify the City's Public Participation ordinance to include mail notice by the applicant to property owners in the immediate proximity of a proposed development; which could be specified as adjacent to, contiguous to, or immediately north, south, east and west of the subject development, to be notified by mail of the date, time and place of the project presentation to the Planning and Zoning Board. The motion passed 9-0.

At the May 15, 2019 PZB meeting, after additional board input, staff presented amended ordinance language to address the request. The motion to recommend the ordinance amendment to the City Commission passed 7-0. The staff report and meeting minutes from the May 15<sup>th</sup> PZB meeting are attached as Exhibit 1 and Exhibit 2, respectively.

#### **Public Outreach**

A communication outlining the proposed amendment was sent to the Council of Fort

Lauderdale Civic Associations (CFLCA) on March 22, 2019, attached as Exhibit 3.

# Amendment Summary

The proposed amendment will require an applicant to send mail notice to all real property owners located within two-hundred (200) feet of the proposed development project and mail notice to city-recognized civic organization(s) within three-hundred (300) feet of a proposed development project. The notice will inform the civic association(s) and property owners of the date, time and place of applicant's project presentation at a public participation meeting prior to the PZB meeting. This proposed amendment is in addition to the existing regulation that requires applicants to provide e-mail notice to city recognized civic associations.

To review the proposed text amendment, please refer to Exhibit 4.

# **Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact to the City associated with this action.

# **Strategic Connections**

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

- Goal 6: Be an inclusive community made up of distinct, complementary, and diverse neighborhoods.
- Objective 1: Evolve and update the land development code to balance neighborhood quality, character, and livability through sustainable development.
- Initiative 1: Examine land-use patterns and neighborhood development trends to recommend changes to the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) for optimal neighborhood growth, including parking, landscaping, setbacks, change of reuse, etc.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are Connected.

# **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – May 15, 2019, Staff Report

Exhibit 2 – May 15, 2019, PZB Minutes

Exhibit 3 – March 22, 2019, Communication to CFLCA

Exhibit 4 – Ordinance

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