#19-0747

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: September 12, 2019

TITLE: Resolution Adopting the Fiscal Year 2020 Fire Assessment and

Assessment Roll for Provision of Fire Services, Programs and Facilities

- (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission hold a public hearing and adopt the annual rate resolution for the fire assessment for the City of Fort Lauderdale for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020, beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020.

Background

The City Commission authorized the creation of the Fire Assessment Program to fund the fire services, facilities, and/or programs that will benefit the City in its entirety, such as facility improvements, special equipment, and cost of fire suppression operations on June 15, 1999 (Ordinance C-99-49). The City adopted the Preliminary Rate Resolution No. 19-121 on July 9, 2019, in accordance with Section 2.08 of Ordinance C-99-49. The resolution, among other things, established an assessment rate to fund continued fire services and operations for FY 2020.

The City proposes a \$311 per single family residential property. For FY 2020, the proposed assessment is \$48,988,650 which is estimated to generate \$47,518,972 in revenue to the General Fund. This will represent full (100%) cost recovery of fire suppression services for FY 2020.

The chair of the local governing board or his or her designee is required per Section 197.3632(5)(a), Florida Statutes to certify the non-ad valorem assessment roll to the Broward County Tax Collector no later than September 15, 2019.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action. This assessment will generate approximately \$47,518,972 in revenue to the General Fund for FY 2020.

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.

Related CAM

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Attachments

Exhibit 1 - FY 2020 Fire Assessment Rate Schedule

Exhibit 2 - FY 2019 Adopted Comparable City Fire Assessment Rates

Exhibit 3 - Sun Sentinel Advertisement

Exhibit 4 - Resolution

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