



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
SPECIAL MEETING

#20-0561

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: September 14, 2020

TITLE: Public Hearing - Resolution Adopting the Fiscal Year 2021 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 adopt the annual rate resolution for the fire assessment for the City of Fort Lauderdale for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021, beginning October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021.

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. 20-120 on July 7, 2020, 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 2021.

The City proposes a rate of \$311 per single family residential property. For FY 2021, the proposed assessment is \$49,336,308 which is estimated to generate \$47,856,219 in revenue to the General Fund. This will represent full (100%) cost recovery of fire suppression services for FY 2021.

Pursuant to Fla. Stat. § 197.3632(5)(a), the chair of the local governing board or his or her designee is required to certify the non-ad valorem assessment roll to the Broward County Tax Collector no later than September 15, 2020.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action. This assessment will generate approximately \$47,856,219 in revenue to the General Fund for FY 2021.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Internal Support Focus Area
- Goal 8: Be a leading government organization that manages all resources wisely and sustainably
- Objective: Maintain financial integrity through sound budgeting practices, prudent fiscal management, cost effective operations, and long-term planning

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

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Attachments

Exhibit 1 - FY 2021 Fire Assessment Rate Schedule

Exhibit 2 - FY 2020 Adopted Comparable City Fire Assessment Rates

Exhibit 3 - Sun Sentinel Advertisement

Exhibit 4 - Resolution

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