



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#20-0288

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: October 20, 2020

TITLE: Public Hearing - Ordinance Amending City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) Sections 47-1.6 through the Revision of the Official Zoning Map of the City Attaching Addendum "A" Entitled "Official Downtown Character Area Map" Depicting the Boundaries of the Downtown Regional Activity Center Character Areas - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an ordinance amending Section 47-1.6 of the City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR), through the revision of the Official Zoning Map of the City of Fort Lauderdale attaching thereto and by reference making a part thereof Addendum "A" entitled "Official Downtown Character Area Map" depicting the boundaries of the Downtown Regional Activity Center Character Areas.

Background:

The proposed ordinance attaches to the official zoning map the "Official Downtown Character Area Map" depicting and establishing the boundaries of the Downtown Regional Activity Center Character Areas. The Downtown Regional Activity Center Character Areas are proposed to be codified in the ULDR by the ordinance proposed and associated with Commission Agenda Memorandum #20-0023, regarding Downtown Master Plan (DMP) regulations, also scheduled on this agenda.

The three Downtown character areas include: *Downtown Core*, *Near Downtown* and *Urban Neighborhood*. The character areas are defined by geographic boundaries and are based on building forms, existing street grid, and other factors that reinforce existing and emerging development patterns. To ensure a variety of urban experiences throughout the Downtown, each character area exhibits unique urban form characteristics. The code will address dimensional requirements to guide building size and building form reflective of the three character areas.

The character area boundaries have been updated at multiple locations to reflect changes in development patterns and address compatibility with existing development outside of the boundary area, since the adoption of the original boundaries in 2003. The Official Downtown Character Area Map is provided as Exhibit 1. Downtown Character Area Sketch and Legal

Description is provided as Exhibit 2. Updated DMP Character Area Pages are provided as Exhibit 3.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Fiscal Year 2019 Commission Annual Action Plan* priority, included within Neighborhood Enhancement Cylinder of Excellence.

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan* specifically advancing:

- The Neighborhood Enhancement Focus Area
- Goal 4: Build a thriving and inclusive community of neighborhoods. Be an inclusive community made up of distinct, complementary, and diverse neighborhoods.
- Objective 2: Ensure a range of affordable housing options.

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

Related CAMs

CAM 20-0023

CAM 20-0532

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Downtown Character Area Map

Exhibit 2 – Downtown Character Areas Sketch and Legal Description

Exhibit 3 – Updated DMP Character Area Pages

Exhibit 4 – Ordinance

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