



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

#20-0820

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: December 2, 2020

TITLE: Discussion Regarding 2021 State Legislative Priorities and Funding
Requests - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

The Commission contracts with firms, Ericks Consultants, Inc., Ronald L. Book, P.A., and The August Company, LLC. to assist the City with lobbying efforts at the State level. Described firms advocated for the City's interests during the 2020 legislative session and will continue advocating for the City's interests during the upcoming legislative session and throughout the year. In preparation for the legislative session, staff has prepared draft priorities for consideration by the City Commission to assist with providing direction to City staff, lobbyists, and other interested parties as to the official position of the City of Fort Lauderdale regarding issues, pending legislation, and funding requests that would affect the City.

Draft legislative priorities and funding requests have been compiled based upon the most recent Commission Annual Action Plan, the City's Strategic Plan, and other previously identified priorities (Exhibit 1). The Commission will formally adopt its priorities at a future City Commission meeting after input from the Conference meeting has been incorporated. The Draft 2021 State Legislative Priorities and Funding Requests document is also aligned with the Florida League of Cities Draft 2021 Legislative Action Agenda (Exhibit 2).

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

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

- The Internal Support Focus Area
- Goal 8: Build a leading government organization that manages all resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective 1: Maintain fiscal integrity through sound budgeting practices, prudent fiscal management, cost effective operations, and long-term financial planning

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Draft 2021 State Legislative Priorities and Funding Requests

Exhibit 2 – Florida League of Cities Draft 2021 Legislative Action Agenda

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