#21-0060

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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: January 5, 2021

**TITLE**: Resolution Amending Lease Agreement with the Florida Department of

Transportation to Extend the Lease Terms for the Use of Various Right of

Way Easements along A1A from SE 5<sup>th</sup> Street to Sunrise Blvd for the Purposes of Sidewalk Cafes - **(Commission District 2)** 

### Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an amendment to the lease agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") to extend the lease term for the usage of Right of Way Easements along A1A from SE 5<sup>th</sup> Street to Sunrise Boulevard for the purposes of sidewalk cafes.

### **Background**

Florida State Road A1A is a coastal highway and along with the adjacent rights-of-way and easements is managed by FDOT. Since 1990, the City of Fort Lauderdale has leased right-of-way easements of A1A, along the beach corridor, to allow for business establishments to request sidewalk cafes.

In 2010, a new lease agreement with FDOT was reached and the agreement allowed for a one-time, ten-year extension. The 2010 sidewalk cafe agreement extended the northern boundaries from Sebastian Street to Sunrise Boulevard (Exhibit 1). The lease extension is retroactive starting on February 8, 2020 until February 7, 2030. Staff will continue to take into consideration pedestrians' right of way by providing for a minimum sidewalk width that allows for such amenities as bike parking and bus stops.

### **Resource Impact**

There is no current fiscal impact for this item.

# **Strategic Connections**

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

- Business Development Focus Area
- Goal 5: Build an attractive global and local economic community marketplace.
- Objective: Nurture and support existing local businesses.

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

# **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Lease Agreement 2010

Exhibit 2 – Amended Lease Agreement

Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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