



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

**#21-0493**

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

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

**DATE:** June 1, 2021

**TITLE:** Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution Approving the Parks,  
Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board's Recommendation for Athletic  
Field Lighting Projects - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission conduct a public hearing and adopt a resolution approving the Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board's recommendation for approval of athletic field lighting projects as provided in Bond Resolution No. 18-261 and Bond Resolution No. 20-08.

**Background**

On March 12, 2019, a referendum passed authorizing the City to issue up to \$200,000,000 of general obligation bonds for the purpose of financing Parks and Recreation Projects. The first installment of \$80,000,000, Series 2020A Bonds ("Bonds"), will fund the cost of development, design, acquisition, construction, equipping, installation, improvement and furnishing of certain Parks and Recreation Projects. The Parks and Recreation Projects to be undertaken by the City and financed with proceeds of the first series of Bonds was approved by the City Commission by subsequent resolution (Resolution 20-08, January 7, 2020); provided, however, that prior to the City Commission's approval of a Parks and Recreation Project that is not one of the four signature park projects (Joseph Carter Park, Holiday Park, Lockhart Stadium and Tunnel Top Park), such project shall have been reviewed by the City of Fort Lauderdale Parks, Recreation and Beaches Advisory Board (the "Advisory Board") and the Advisory Board shall have submitted its recommendation to the City Commission as to whether the project should or should not be undertaken and financed, in whole or in part, with proceeds of the Bonds.

The referendum resolution provided the following:

"In deciding whether to undertake and finance with proceeds of the Bonds a Parks and Recreation Project that is not one of the four signature park projects, the City Commission shall conduct a public hearing and consider, but shall not be obligated to follow, the recommendation of the Advisory Board with respect to such project."

On April 28, 2021, the Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board approved the following athletic field lighting projects:

Park	Lighting Scope	Total Budget	Lighting Budget	Proposed
Croissant Park	Multipurpose fields & Gym	\$2,620,000	\$300,000	\$295,000
Floranada Park	Baseball Fields	\$783,000	\$350,000	\$227,700
Hardy Park	Multipurpose fields & Tennis Courts	\$2,585,000	\$350,000	\$350,000
Holiday Park	Baseball Fields & Multipurpose Fields	\$20,950,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,245,000
Osswald Park	Baseball Fields & Golf Course	\$3,184,000	\$1,100,000	\$876,150
Sunset Park	Multipurpose fields & Basketball Courts	\$1,029,000	\$300,000	\$300,000
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$31,151,000</b>	<b>\$3,400,000</b>	<b>\$3,293,850</b>

The above excludes field lighting at Bayview Park and Mills Pond Park that were approved as part of the overall park project at the May 4 City Commission meeting.

**Resource Impact**

Resource impact will be reflected on future CAMs approving the procurement of these projects.

**Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Top 2021 Commission Priority*, advancing the Parks and Public Places initiative.

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

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Build a healthy and engaging community
- Objective: Offer a diverse range of recreational and educational programming

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

**Related CAM**

21-0095

**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Resolution No. 18-261

Exhibit 2 – Resolution No. 20-08

Exhibit 3 – April 28, 2021 Parks, Recreation and Beaches Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Exhibit 4 – April 28, 2021 Presentation to Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board

Exhibit 5 – Notice of Hearing - Publication

Exhibit 6 – Resolution

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