



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

#21-0692

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: July 6, 2021

TITLE: Lockhart Community Park Discussion

On January 28, 2019, the City received an unsolicited proposal from Miami Beckham United, LLC (Inter Miami) pursuant to Section 255.065 Florida Statutes to design, construct, occupy, and maintain Parcels 19B, 25, 26 and 27 at Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport ("property") for an MLS Training Facility and stadium. On March 19, 2019, the City Commission unanimously selected Inter Miami unsolicited proposal as the preferred and first ranked proposal.

The overall plan for the 64-acre property at Lockhart is inclusive of two areas: On the north-end, Inter Miami built an 18,000-seat soccer stadium, a training facility, along with practice fields, parking spaces, and a community field dedicated for high school teams. On the south-end initial plans for the Community Park included a community center, multi-purpose fields, walking trail, playgrounds, splash pad, open space, and a dog park (Exhibit 1). The purpose of this Conference Meeting item is for the City Commission to provide feedback on the proposed plans for the Community Park.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the city associated with this item.

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: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone

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

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan* specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- The Parks, Recreation & Open Space Element
- Goal 2: Be a community with high quality parks and recreational facilities that highlight the character of our City.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Lockhart Community Park Concept Plan

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