



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

#26-0664

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

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: July 2, 2026

TITLE: Resolution to Adopt the First Amendment (Facilities Amendment) to the Interlocal Agreement for Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County, Florida (**Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4**)

Recommendation

City staff recommends the City Commission consider a Resolution to adopt the First Amendment (Facilities Amendment) to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) for Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclables Material Processing Authority of Broward County.

Approval of the Facilities Amendment is the final step that confirms the City of Fort Lauderdale's participation in the Broward Solid Waste Authority (BSWA) for a term of forty (40) years through August 15, 2063. Under the ILA, the City would be obligated to flow control all its disposal volumes to post-collection facilities as designed by the BSWA. Residential and commercial disposal volumes include but may not be limited to municipal solid waste, yard waste, construction and demolition debris, recycling and bulk waste.

There is a companion Second Amendment (CAM #26-0665) on this agenda which allows participating cities the ability to withdraw from the BSWA after the award recommendation following a solicitation for disposal coordinated by the BSWA in November 2027 and again after twenty-five (25) years, or August 2048. The Second Amendment must be approved by all participating municipalities to be in effect.

Background

On September 12, 2019, the City Commission approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Broward County confirming the City's desire to participate in the establishment and implementation of an integrated regional solid waste and recycling system (CAM #19-0670).

On November 5, 2019, the City Commission, via Resolution No. 19-228, appointed Commissioner Steven Glassman as the City's primary representative to the Solid Waste Working Group with Vice-Mayor Ben Sorensen appointed as the alternative representative (CAM #19-1102).

Beginning in February 2020, the Solid Waste Working Group held a series of meetings to discuss the operational needs for a Countywide solid waste system, its associated costs, and the development of an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) to govern the system.

On February 1, 2022, the City Commission approved the First Amendment to the MOU (CAM #22-0097) which defined the City and County roles for the execution and funding of a Waste Generation Study, Waste Composition Study, and other related consultant services required to establish and fund the solid waste and recycling system.

On June 6, 2023, the City Commission approved the ILA to join the Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County (CAM #23-0407). The ILA required the membership to adopt a Master Plan and Facilities Amendment developed by the BSWA and establishes financial contributions from the City towards its operations. There was a requirement that seventy-five percent (75%) of the County's total population had to be represented by municipalities approving the ILA.

On August 7, 2023, the City was informed that twenty-eight (28) municipalities representing eighty-three percent (83%) of the County's population approved the ILA, establishing the BSWA.

On September 5, 2023, the City Commission approved Resolution No. 23-174 appointing Commissioner Steven Glassman as Fort Lauderdale's representative to the BSWA (CAM #23-0803).

On March 19, 2026, the City Commission approved Resolution No. 26-57 appointing Vice Mayor Ben Sorensen as Fort Lauderdale's alternate representative to the BSWA (CAM #26-0342).

At the March 20, 2026, BSWA Governing Board meeting, the Facilities Amendment was approved by the Governing Board. At the April 17, 2026, BSWA Governing Board meeting, the Master Plan was approved by the Governing Board. To become effective, the Facilities Amendment must be approved by the County and municipalities representing at least eighty percent (80%) of the population (of the participating municipalities). Both approval conditions must be met, with the Facilities Amendment being the final condition, for the BSWA to meet formation requirements.

On May 5, 2026, Representatives from the BSWA provided an update on the SWA Master Plan and Facilities Amendment (CAM #26-0191).

On May 19, 2026, City Staff made a presentation to the City Commission as a follow-up to the May 5, 2026 presentation by BSWA Representatives (CAM #26-0492).

On May 19, 2026, the City Commission approved the appointment of Vice Mayor Ben Sorensen as the Primary Representative to the SWA Governing Board, and Commission Pamela Beasley-Pittman as the Alternate Representative to the SWA Governing Board (CAM #26-0569).

On June, 16, 2026, City Staff and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. presented the Fiscal Year 2027-2036 Long Term Financial Plan and the ten (10)-year revenue sufficiency

model, including the Sanitation Fund (CAM #26-0236).

As of June 22, 2026, seventeen (17) municipalities of the twenty-eight (28) participating have approved the Facilities Amendment. The deadline for the Facilities Amendment approval is August 15, 2026.

Resource Impact

There is no immediate fiscal impact associated with this item.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- Guiding Principle: Fiscal Responsibility

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

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

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Solid Waste Management Element
- Goal 1: The City of Fort Lauderdale shall provide or maintain solid waste management and collection programs to serve current and future needs.

Related CAM

#26-0665

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Presentation

Exhibit 2 – Conference Presentation May 19, 2026

Exhibit 3 – Master Plan Broward SWA

Exhibit 4 – Master Plan Executive Summary

Exhibit 5 – Chair Ryan Memorandum of May 28, 2026

Exhibit 6 – Facilities Amendment Broward SWA

Exhibit 7 – Second Amendment Broward SWA

Exhibit 8 – Resolution

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