



Memorandum

Memorandum No: 25-035

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

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager *RW*

DATE: April 11, 2025

SUBJECT: City Hall Update

The intent of this memorandum is to provide the City Commission with an update on the City Hall project. The demolition and remediation phases are nearly complete and initial efforts for the new City Hall are proceeding.

City Hall Demolition Update

The building demolition is completed, and site restoration work is underway. The temporary construction fence was removed earlier this week, and the longer-term fence installation is scheduled to commence on April 14, 2025. The longer-term fence will be an 8' tall black chain link fence that matches the fencing installed at the adjacent properties. The fencing installation is anticipated to be completed by the end of April 2025 with project boards to be installed thereafter. To promote grass growth at the site, irrigation lines have been installed and hydroseeding is scheduled for next week. Sprinkler heads will be installed thereafter. Once completed, **the site will be fully enclosed with no public access and City staff will maintain the grounds.**

New City Hall Update

On November 1, 2024, the City issued a solicitation for a City Hall Owner's Representative. The solicitation was advertised with an initial closing date of December 16, 2024, but was extended and closed on January 15, 2025. The City received seven bids which were reviewed by a five-person City staff Evaluation Committee (EC). The EC met on February 21, 2025, shortlisted firms and requested presentations from the top three firms.

The EC heard presentations on March 10, 2025, and recommended Jacobs Project Management Co. (Jacobs) be selected as the City Hall Owner's Representative. City staff are currently negotiating the scope and fee schedule with Jacobs with hopes of bringing forward an agreement for City Commission consideration in May/June 2025.

City staff are finalizing a Design Criteria Package (DCP) solicitation that is scheduled to be released in April 2025. The DCP scope includes survey work, three design concepts,

technical specifications, permitting, cost estimating, and delivering a 30% design package for one concept. The DCP will be used as the foundation for future construction solicitation(s).

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