



## LETTER TO THE COMMISSION

**LTC No: 26-029**

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission  
**FROM:** Rickelle Williams, City Manager *RW*  
**DATE:** February 2, 2026  
**SUBJECT:** **State of Florida Division of Historical Resources  
Certified Local Government Evaluation and Status Update**

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The purpose of this Letter to the Commission (LTC) is to provide an update on the City of Fort Lauderdale's Certified Local Government (CLG) status which has recently undergone an evaluation by the State of Florida Division of Historical Resources. The City of Fort Lauderdale has maintained CLG status since 2010 and maintains a commitment to protect its historic resources and provide continuous improvements to historic preservation efforts.

The State of Florida is required to periodically evaluate CLGs per the requirements of the Federal *Historic Preservation Fund Grants Manual, Chapter 9 - Certified Local Governments*. The review is based on the information contained in annual reports and meeting minutes submitted to the Florida Division of Historical Resources during the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

The purpose of the evaluation is to ascertain Fort Lauderdale's adherence to the Florida CLG Guidelines as well as to identify areas in which the State of Florida's Division of Historical Resources can provide training and support. It is the intent for the process to result in a more effective CLG program.

Following this review, the City of Fort Lauderdale's CLG program was found to be in good standing, and the City remains eligible to apply for select Federal Historic Preservation Funds and for the CLG matching fund waiver for small matching grants, both administered by the Florida Division of Historical Resources.

Since becoming a CLG, the City of Fort Lauderdale has received nine (9) grants that have provided a total of \$410,000 in funding to the City. These grants have funded the creation of the City's Historic Preservation Design Guidelines, several Architectural Resource Surveys, a Strategic Historic Preservation Plan, and an educational signage walking tour for the Sailboat Bend Historic District.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Trisha Logan, AICP, Principal Urban Planner, at 954-828-7101 or via email at [TLogan@fortlauderdale.gov](mailto:TLogan@fortlauderdale.gov).

Attachment:

1. Florida Department of State - CLG Good Standing Letter 2025

c: Shari McCartney, City Attorney  
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December 16, 2025

Ms. Trisha Logan  
700 Northwest 19th Avenue  
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Re: CLG Annual Report Review

Dear Ms. Logan,

Thank you for submitting the Certified Local Government (CLG) FY2024-2025 Annual Report for Fort Lauderdale in accordance with our mutual CLG agreement. Your annual report has been received and reviewed as of December 15, 2025. Our office has determined that your community is in good standing in the CLG program and eligible for the CLG match waiver for small matching grants in the current grant cycle. Thank you for being an active member of Florida's CLG Program. Our office looks forward to continuing to work with you to support the preservation of Fort Lauderdale's historic resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Tyler J. Smith", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Tyler J. Smith  
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