



LETTER TO THE COMMISSION

LTC No: 26-030

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission
FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager *RW*
DATE: February 4, 2026
SUBJECT: **Las Olas Garage Lighting Façade Project Update (#2)**

The purpose of this Letter to the Commission (LTC) is to provide an update to LTC No. 26-005 published on January 9, 2026 (Attachment 1) regarding the status of the Las Olas Garage Lighting Façade Project.

As previously reported, project implementation was temporarily delayed following a request from EXP U.S. Services, Inc. (EXP), for a ninety (90)-day stay of the project to allow additional time to examine the existing façade lighting prior to demolition activities. In response to this request, and at the legal counsel of the City Attorney's Office (CAO), staff elected to delay the project for a thirty (30)-day period to accommodate review of the lighting elements.

The thirty (30)-day period has now lapsed. City staff are beginning internal coordination efforts, including site coordination, confirmation of installation logistics, and coordination of material deliveries necessary to support construction activities, while minimizing impacts to garage operations and the surrounding area.

With the conclusion of the City's voluntary delay period, the contractor, The Luminicos, Corp. (Luminicos), is scheduled to commence light removal and installation activities on February 9, 2026. Staff will continue to closely monitor progress and coordinate with the contractor to ensure the work is performed in accordance with approved plans and established schedules.

Additional updates will be provided to the City Commission as the project progresses or if any material changes occur.

For further information, please contact Colette Satchell, Director of Capital Projects, at 954-828-3134 or CSatchell@fortlauderdale.gov.

Attachment:

1. Letter to the Commission No. 26-005

c: Shari McCartney, City Attorney
David R. Soloman, City Clerk
Patrick Reilly, City Auditor
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LETTER TO THE COMMISSION

LTC No: 26-005

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission
FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager *RW*
DATE: January 9, 2026
SUBJECT: **Las Olas Garage Lighting Façade Project Update**

The purpose of this Letter to the Commission (LTC) is to provide the City Commission with an update on the Las Olas Garage Lighting Façade project.

On September 16, 2025, the City Commission approved an agreement with The Luminicos, Corp. (Luminicos) to replace the non-operational lighting system at the Las Olas Parking Garage. As part of a separate yet related effort, the City, via the City Attorney's Office (CAO) engaged outside counsel to handle the claim against the various parties involved in the previous design and installation of the façade lighting and architectural mesh (*City of Fort Lauderdale v. Skanska USA Building, Inc., et al.*, Case No. CACE25-013145).

Pursuant to the Agreement, Luminicos is required to complete this project within 120 calendar days following the Notice to Proceed (NTP). City staff and Luminicos originally planned to begin demolition on Monday, January 5, 2026. However, as staff was coordinating issuance of the NTP for the project in November 2025, the CAO and outside counsel recommended that the lighting project should not commence prior to January 2026 to allow the parties involved in the lawsuit additional time to inspect the lighting system prior to demolition of the existing system. This opportunity was shared with all the parties involved in the lawsuit.

On Friday, January 2, 2026, one of the parties to the lawsuit, EXP U.S. Services, Inc. (EXP), requested a ninety (90)-day stay of the project. The request was based on its recent retention of counsel and desire to engage an expert to inspect the lighting prior to demolition.

Based on recommendations from the CAO and outside counsel, staff will delay the NTP and commencement of the project by thirty (30) days to provide EXP the opportunity to inspect the lighting system prior to starting demolition. The project is now anticipated to commence in early February 2026. Updates will be provided as they become available.

For further information, please contact Milos Majstorovic, PE, Director of Transportation and Mobility, at 954-828-5216 or mmajstorovic@fortlauderdale.gov.

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