



LETTER TO THE COMMISSION

LTC No: 26-084

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

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager *RW*

DATE: March 25, 2026

**SUBJECT: American Public Works Association (APWA) South Florida Branch -
Water/ Wastewater Project of the Year Award**

The purpose of this Letter to the Commission (LTC) is to announce that the American Public Works Association (APWA) – South Florida Branch has awarded the City of Fort Lauderdale’s Public Works Department with the Water/Wastewater Project of the Year Award for the forty-eight-inch (48”) Water Transmission Main Project.

This project represents one of the most significant infrastructure achievements in our ongoing efforts to modernize the City’s potable water system and enhance long-term service reliability for our residents and businesses.

The new transmission main, approximately 18,000 linear feet in length, connects the new Prospect Lake Clean Water Center to the Fiveash Water Treatment Plant facility. The project was engineered and constructed with a focus on resiliency, regulatory compliance, and operational continuity. The alignment successfully navigated multiple government jurisdictions, major transportation corridors, a railroad crossing, and environmentally sensitive areas, all while maintaining full service to the surrounding community.

Construction began in June 2024 and reached substantial completion in September 2025, remaining within the established project budget of approximately \$49 million. The successful delivery of this project not only strengthens the City’s water infrastructure but also advances the long-term strategy to replace aging facilities with reliable, sustainable, and future-ready systems.

For further information, please contact Brad Kaine, Director, Public Works Department, at 954-828-5806 or BKaine@fortlauderdale.gov.

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