ORDINANCE NO. C-26-26

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, CONDITIONED ON THE APPROVAL OF A BALLOT MEASURE, BY ADDING A REQUIREMENT OF A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE CITY COMMISSION FOR ANY LICENSE AGREEMENT, CONCESSION AGREEMENT, FACILITY USE AGREEMENT, OR OTHER TYPE OF USE AGREEMENT FOR MORE THAN ONE YEAR FOR THE USE OF CITY-OWNED PARK LAND, AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCE PROVISIONS, CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S ERRORS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Charter Revision Board has recommended to the City Commission that certain amendments be made to the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission proposes certain amendments to the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to be submitted for voter approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That Section 8.21 of the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, be, and is hereby amended to provide as follows:

~~Sec. 8.21. Disposing of public property.~~

~~The right of the city to sell, exchange, lease, franchise or deed public property, under the methods and procedures provided in this article, shall not be limited, restricted or abridged on account of the method, source or means by which such property was acquired, the source from which funds were obtained to acquire such property, the use to which this property has been devoted or is presently devoted, or whether such property is used and operated in a governmental or proprietary capacity.~~

~~Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Charter, the city shall not sell, transfer, or lease for more than one (1) year, any land zoned park~~

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~~in accordance with the City's Unified Land Development Regulations without a unanimous vote of the entire city commission. Additionally, any land zoned park on November 10, 2004, shall require a unanimous vote of the entire city commission to remove such designation.~~

Sec. 8.21. Disposing of park property.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Charter, the city shall not, without a unanimous vote of the entire city commission:

(a) sell, transfer, or lease, for more than one (1) year, any land zoned Parks, Recreation and Open Space in accordance with the City's Unified Land Development Regulations; or

(b) enter into any license agreement, concession agreement, facility use agreement, or other type of use agreement, for more than one (1) year, for any land zoned Parks, Recreation and Open Space in accordance with the City's Unified Land Development Regulations.

Additionally, any land zoned Parks, Recreation and Open Space in accordance with the City's Unified Land Development Regulations shall require a unanimous vote of the entire city commission to remove such designation.

SECTION 2. That this Ordinance shall not take effect unless a corresponding ballot measure is approved by a majority of the electors of the City of Fort Lauderdale voting at the election to be held on November 3, 2026. The ballot measure to be submitted shall be in substantially the following form:

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 8

CITY-OWNED PARK LAND

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Should the City of Fort Lauderdale Charter be amended to require a unanimous vote of the entire City Commission for any license agreement, concession agreement, facility use agreement, or other type of use agreement for more than one year for the use of City-owned park land?

⬭ YES, for approval

⬭ NO, for rejection

SECTION 3. That if any clause, section or other part of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby, but shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. That, at the direction of the City Attorney, the publisher of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is authorized to conform chapter, article, section, subsection, and clause numbers and letters, and capitalization, set forth in this Ordinance, to the numbering, lettering, and capitalization structure established in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and to correct non-substantive scrivener's errors in the codification of this Charter amendment.

SECTION 6. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect, as conditioned in Section 2, ten days after the date of certification of election results by the Broward County Canvassing Board.

PASSED FIRST READING this the _____ day of _____, 2026.
PASSED SECOND READING this the _____ day of _____, 2026.

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Mayor
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

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City Clerk
DAVID R. SOLOMAN

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