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Hallandale Beach, FL 33009

City of Hallandale Beach City Commission Agenda Cover Memo

Meeting Date:	March 15, 2017		Item Type: (Enter X in box)	Resolution X	Ordinance	Other	
Fiscal Impact: (Enter X in box)	Yes	No	Ordinance Reading: (Enter X in box)	1st Reading		2nd Reading	
		X	Public Hearing: (Enter X in box)	Yes	No	Yes	No
Funding Source:	N/A		Advertising Requirement: (Enter X in box)	Yes		No	
						X	
Account Balance:	N/A		Quasi Judicial: (Enter X in box)	Yes		No	
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Project Number :	N/A		RFP/RFQ/Bid Number:	N/A			
Contract/P.O. Required: (Enter X in box)	Yes	No	Strategic Plan Priority Area: (Enter X in box) Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Quality <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vibrant Appeal <input type="checkbox"/>				
		X					
Sponsor Name:	Mayor Joy F. Cooper		Department: City Clerk	Mario Bataille, City Clerk			

Short Title:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO OPPOSE SENATE BILL 1770 AND HOUSE BILL 13 WHICH PHASE OUT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND WOULD NOT ALLOW ANY NEW CRA PROJECTS OR DEBT AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2017; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Summary:

Background:

Mayor Cooper requested staff bring forward an Item for Commission consideration in opposition of Senate Bill 1770 and House Bill 13.

Part III of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, currently allows a county or municipality to create a Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) to carry out redevelopment of slum or blighted areas when certain conditions exist. Examples of conditions that can support the creation of a CRA include the presence of substandard or inadequate structures, a shortage of affordable housing, inadequate infrastructure and insufficient roadways

The Florida Legislature is considering House Bill (HB) 13, which will terminate all CRAs in the state by 2037, not allowing the creation of any new CRAs after October 1, 2017, and not allow any new CRA projects or debt after October 1, 2017. While Senate Bill (SB) 1770 will terminate all CRAs in the state by 2037 and will only allow the creation of new CRAs by a super majority vote of a city or county.

CRAs have proven historically to provide distressed communities with a better economy through improved infrastructure, job opportunities and housing. Their mission is to make housing and urban areas safer for residents, to preserve and grow business, and provide a sense of place for all who live there. During its tenure the Hallandale Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (HBCRA) has executed various successful programs and initiatives aimed at addressing slum and blight, reducing crime, construction of new affordable housing, stimulating job creation, and building needed infrastructure in our neighborhoods. Ten years remain in the service life of the HBCRA and the agency plans to pursue new projects and further the progress it has achieved in the local community.

Therefore, by approve this Resolution the Mayor and City Commission would strongly urge the Florida Legislature to oppose Senate Bill 1770 and House Bill 13 which would phase-out CRAs and prevent existing CRAs from commencing any new projects after October 1, 2017

Why Action is Necessary:

Pursuant to Article V, Section 5.01 of the City of Hallandale Beach Charter, a Resolution adopted by the Commission is an expression of the Commission on matters of official concern and opinion.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact.

Proposed Action:

The City Commission consider the attached Resolution urging the Florida Legislature to opposing Senate Bill 1770 and House Bill 13.

Attachment(s):

Exhibit 1 – Resolution