## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Reciprocal Use Agreement between the City of North Lauderdale and The School Board of Broward County, Florida

## Additional Background Information:

The City of North Lauderdale has had a Partnership Agreement with The School Board of Broward County, Florida for many years. The Partnership Agreement originated in the Community Relations Department as a program where students may participate in government organization roles. The City employees would serve as mentors to the students. In early 2001, these partnerships were incorporated into the Reciprocal Use Agreement (RUA). In 2006, Community Relations Department prepared the agreement using the Reciprocal Use Agreement template and presented the Agenda Item to the School Board as an "I" item.

The existing RUA between the City and the School Board was executed on February 6, 2007, expired on February 5, 2012. The timeframe to renew the North Lauderdale RUA passed due to ongoing discussions to address pending issues (such as seeking credit for services provided to schools at no cost, the incurring of custodial costs on Fridays during the Four (4) Day Summer Work Week, and the municipalities preference to have a school personnel authorized by the school's principal to open/close the school facility during the Four (4) Day Summer Work Week) pertinent municipalities have with language in the existing RUA's. The intent was to renew the RUA and incorporate agreed upon solution(s) regarding these issues into the renewed RUA. However during this period, the City communicated to the District that they wanted to move forward and renew the RUA.

The 2012 Reciprocal Use Agreement was prepared by the Real Estate and Environmental Planning Department to provide a mechanism for the City and the School Board to use each other's facilities at no cost when the facilities are open. However, charges may be levied if additional costs are incurred as a result of the use. Approvals have been delegated to the Superintendent or his designee for the District and either the Parks and Recreation Director or the City Manager for the City.

Without this agreement, a Certificate of Insurance would be required for each activity held.