

CITY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 23, 2023

SUBMITTED BY: Mildred Velasquez

ITEM TYPE: Resolution

TEMP. RESOLUTION NUMBER: TR 13967

AGENDA SECTION: **REGULAR AGENDA**

TITLE: TR13967 - A Resolution of the City Commission of Tamarac, Florida authorizing the renewal of General Liability, Automobile Liability, Automobile Physical Damage, Workers' Compensation, and Property Lines of coverage including any endorsements with the Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT) for a one (1) year period beginning October 1, 2023 at a cost of \$1,858,963 and payment of any increase resulting from the annual premium audit and/or additions to the property schedule; providing for conflicts; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City renew its property and casualty insurance FY2024 with the Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT).

BACKGROUND: The primary lines of property and casualty insurance coverage that the City has with the Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT) are General Liability/Professional Liability, Automobile Liability, Automobile Physical Damage, Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability, and Property (including Equipment Breakdown f/k/a Boiler and Machinery).

The FMIT is the insurance trust administered by the Florida League of Cities (the League). The League has been in existence for 45 years; and has operated under the name FMIT since 1987. The Trust is governed by elected officials. It is a non-assessable, non-profit, and a tax-exempt risk-sharing pool and insures 500 public entities in Florida of which 250 are municipalities. In addition, there are no broker fees associated with FMIT. The FMIT's

financial strength is unparalleled in the State of Florida with total assets of approximately \$557 million and a surplus of approximately \$210 million.

Risk Management has routinely compared other insurance program offerings in the past, but other carriers did not have the range of auxiliary coverages and benefits offered by FMIT. One main benefit is that FMIT provides catastrophic event turn-key assessment and recovery services that will save the City both time and personnel resources in the event of a major event such as a hurricane, and would expedite our returning to business, as normal. These turnkey benefits have been formally added as part of the FMIT policy. Additionally, legal expenses incurred in a claim are in addition to the policy limit; so paid legal defense expenses do not reduce the per claim limit of coverage and are not subject to a deductible.

FMIT insures the primary lines of insurance coverage. The FMIT program has provided excellent service over the years, from a property and liability insurance standpoint. The FMIT's coverages are broad, and they are specifically tailored for municipalities; many of the City's size.

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ISSUE: Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT) FY2024 Insurance Coverage Renewal

STRATEGIC GOALS: Goal #1: Tamarac is Home

ATTACHMENTS:

[2024 Insurance Renewal Memorandum.pdf](#)

[2024 Resolution TR13967.pdf](#)

[FMIT Insurance Renewal Exhibit #1 TR13967.pdf](#)

[FMIT Insurance Renewal Exhibit #2 TR13967.pdf](#)