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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON AND CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH:** JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM

**FROM:** MARSHA NOEL, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER, MPA

**SUBJECT:** **AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE A PURCHASE  
AGREEMENT FOR THE 2129 N. CONGRESS AVE PARCEL**

**DATE:** APRIL 15, 2020

**CC:** GENERAL PUBLIC

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**Background:**

City Administration has worked diligently to determine a location that can temporarily accommodate the Riviera Beach Library and the Youth Empowerment Program (YEP). After reviewing five locations, City Administration has determined that it is cost beneficial to purchasing a parcel located at 2129 N. Congress Ave.

The projected cost for this facility may be anywhere between \$2.1 to \$2.7 million for both purchase and renovation, the interior renovation is needed to be able to accommodate both operations.

City Administration believes this facility can serve as flex space once the new library is built, and other city operations can ultimately move into this facility to accommodate any/all displacement that will occur as a result of the city's capital construction initiatives. It is also important to consider that this can be a community center in a strategic location within the city limits, as it has ingress and egress on Congress Ave., and could accommodate a community/youth center in the very near future.



**Citywide/Organizational Goal**

Community Engagement and Empowerment

**Fiscal/Budget Impact:**

The fiscal impact may result in approximately \$2.1 million to \$2.7 million.

**Recommendation(s):**

Staff recommends the City Council to authorize the city manager and the city attorney to negotiate the terms and conditions for the purchase of the 2129 N. Congress Ave, parcel.

**Attachment(s):**

- City Manager's – March 10<sup>th</sup> Memorandum
- 2129 N. Congress Ave Fact sheet