



CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM

TO: HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM

SUBJECT: **AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE A LEASE WITH THE
OPTION TO PURCHASE AND/OR AN AGREEMENT TO
ACQUIRE THE 2129 N. CONGRESS AVE PARCEL**

DATE: JUNE 3, 2020

CC: GENERAL PUBLIC

Background:

At the April 15, 2020 city council meeting, city administration presented on the possibility of temporarily relocating the Library and Youth Empowerment Program (YEP) in the facility located at 2129 N. Congress Avenue. The presentation detailed the process and research that took place to support the consideration of the 2129 N. Congress Avenue parcel.

City Council directed staff to obtain additional information to bring forward at a subsequent council meeting for further consideration. Therefore, city administration conducted more research to provide clarity and address any questions or concerns the council may have.

City Administration believes that this facility is the optimal choice for immediate and future needs. It can temporarily house various city operations as we look to rebuild several facilities as part of the capital construction initiatives. It can serve as a community center geared towards economic recovery by facilitating education and workforce development and can transform into a space that accommodates city hall operations or other functions as well.



Citywide/Organizational Goal

Goal 1.5 Prosperous, Resilient and Sustainable Economy

Goal 2.3 Great Neighborhoods

Goal 3.3 Operational Excellence

Goal 4.5 Government Stewardship and Accountability

Goal 5.3 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 a lease with an option to purchase and/or an agreement to acquire the 2129 N. Congress Ave parcel.

Attachment(s):

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate for Lease or Acquisition for 2129 N. Congress Ave.