

RESOLUTION NO. 26R-01-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO CREATE AND IMPLEMENT A COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN TO ADDRESS CRIME IN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO HIRE NECESSARY PUBLIC SAFETY CONSULTANTS TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPING THE COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN; REQUIRING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE MONTHLY UPDATES TO THE CITY COMMISSION REGARDING THE COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY PLAN AND FURTHER REQUIRING THE COMPLETION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN NO LATER THAN MAY 1, 2026; PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF A TASK FORCE TO ASSIST THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE GRANT).

WHEREAS, the City of Lauderhill has a strong interest in protecting the public safety and welfare of its residents; and

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2025, Mayor Denise Grant organized a Public Safety Forum to discuss best practices to reduce crime, especially among youth and young adults in the City of Lauderhill, and the ideas and topics discussed at the Public Safety Forum are the catalyst to create and implement the Comprehensive Public Safety Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department of the City of Lauderhill needs help and support to reduce crime in the City because reducing crime involves healing, prevention, and community trust; and

WHEREAS, making public safety a core City function reinforces the City's long-term commitment to equitable public safety, allowing the policy continuity across administrations of the City; and

WHEREAS, cities in Florida and throughout the United States have demonstrated the importance of institutionalizing crime prevention within the departments of the City to reduce crime in a significant manner; and

WHEREAS, numerous cities have created comprehensive public safety plans to mobilize the entire government, community, local agencies, and businesses to successfully reduce violent crime; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lauderhill recognizes the importance of developing a

comprehensive approach to reducing violent crime in the City by working together in a holistic approach because the root causes of crime are numerous; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lauderhill believes that a Comprehensive Public Safety Plan will not only address policing issues, but it will also address the root causes of crime, which must be addressed to reduce violent crime in the City of Lauderhill; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Lauderhill believes that it is in the best interest of the City to authorize the City or Designee to create and implement a Comprehensive Public Safety Plan to address crime in the City of Lauderhill.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That the foregoing WHEREAS clauses are hereby adopted and incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. The City Commission of the City of Lauderhill hereby authorizes the City Manager or Designee to create and implement a Comprehensive Public Safety Plan to address crime in the City of Lauderhill. The City Commission further directs the City Manager or Designee to include the following in the Comprehensive Safety Plan:

- (1) Analysis of criminal justice data for the City of Lauderhill;
- (2) Assessment of policing practices;
- (3) Assess holistic, non-policing efforts aimed at crime reduction;
- (4) Discuss any public engagement measures taken or to be taken to assist in crime reduction;
- (5) Establish a cross-departmental communications team to assist in the implementation of the Plan;
- (6) Establish a framework to work with state and local agencies to address crime;
- (7) Establish funding sources in the budget to implement the Plan;
- (8) Report findings, recommendations, and implementation framework.

SECTION 3. The City Commission hereby authorizes the City Manager or designee to hire necessary consultants for the creation and implementation of the Comprehensive Public Safety Plan, subject to the approval of the City Commission if a contract for a consultant exceeds \$60,000.00.

SECTION 4. The City Commission hereby directs the City Manager or designee to provide monthly updates regarding the Comprehensive Safety Plan and requires the City Manager or designee to complete the Plan no later than May 1, 2026.

SECTION 5. The City Commission hereby creates a Task Force to assist the City Manager or Designee in the implementation of the findings and recommendations of the Comprehensive Safety Plan. The Task Force shall include the Mayor, the City Manager, the Police Chief, the Fire Chief, the City Attorney, a resident of Lauderhill, and a business owner. The resident and business owner shall be appointed to the Task Force by the entire City Commission.

SECTION 6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

DENISE D. GRANT, MAYOR
PRESIDING OFFICER

ATTEST:

ANDREA M. ANDERSON, MMC
CITY CLERK

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