Top Five Talk Points

1. We create too much waste and are running out of space.

- We generate about 20,000 pounds of waste PER MINUTE in Broward County.
- The waste-to-energy facility, also known as burning non-recyclable waste, is at capacity and the in-County landfill is nearing capacity.
- When you put your trash out at the curb, it doesn't just disappear; it has to go somewhere.

2. We can't afford to wait.

- Delaying action will only increase costs.
- The Authority can achieve economies of scale and secure the best value for managing our waste while protecting our communities from sea level rise and flooding.

3. More people = more waste.

- 235k new residents expected by 2040
- We must act now to keep our communities clean and healthy for ourselves, our kids, and grandkids.

4. Waste has value.

- With the programs presented in the Master Plan, we can recover about 75% of our valuable waste that we are sending to the landfill and waste-to-energy facility.
- Materials like lumber, concrete, metals, and food waste, can benefit our local communities (think new mulch for our parks!), and create local jobs.

5. We must work together.

- This problem is too big for one city or the County to solve on its own.
- Together, we can streamline operations, establish consistent programs for residents and businesses countywide, and achieve the best value solution and stabilize costs over time.

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