

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND MR. RONALD L. BOOK, P.A., DATED OCTOBER 29, 2021, PURSUANT TO RFQ NO. 2021-136-WG FOR STATE LEGISLATIVE CONSULTING SERVICES; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO TERMINATE THE CONTRACT FOR CONVENIENCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 5.2 THEREOF; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR STATE LEGISLATIVE CONSULTING SERVICES.

WHEREAS, in 2021, the City issued Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 2021-136-WG for State Legislative Consulting Services, in order to retain a state lobbyist to represent the City and its interests at the state level; and

WHEREAS, on October 29, 2021, the City and Mr. Ronald L. Book, P.A. ("State Lobbyist") entered into a Professional Services Agreement (the "Agreement") for State Legislative Consulting Services for an initial term of two (2) years, with two (2) additional one (1) year renewal options, to be exercised at the City Manager's sole option and discretion; and

WHEREAS, Section 5.2 of the Agreement provides the City, at its discretion, with the ability to terminate the contract for convenience at any time during the term of the Agreement, upon 15 days' written notice to the State Lobbyist; and

WHEREAS, as the City continues to adapt to the changing political landscape of the Florida legislature, it would be in the best interest of the City to reassess the pool of qualified state legislative consultants and their relative strengths and weaknesses to determine which consultant would best advocate in Tallahassee on behalf of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby direct the City Manager to terminate for convenience the contract between the City and Mr. Ronald L. Book, P.A., dated October 29, 2021, pursuant to RFG No. 2021-136-WG for state legislative consulting services; and further authorize the City Manager to issue a competitive solicitation for state legislative consulting services.

PASSED and ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2024.

ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(sponsored by Commissioner David Suarez
co-sponsored by Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

Rafael E. Granado *5/10/24*

City Attorney Date