

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, WAIVING, BY 5/7THS VOTE, THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENT, FINDING SUCH WAIVER TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CITY, AND RETROACTIVELY AWARDED \$60,000 TO H.O.P.E. IN MIAMI DADE, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY AGREEMENTS.**

**WHEREAS**, homelessness is a national problem whose impact is felt locally, as the City has a significant number of homeless persons; and

**WHEREAS**, the City employs a variety of strategies to address homelessness including the provision of emergency shelter for men, women and families with children; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has partnered with H.O.P.E. in Miami Dade, Inc. (HOPE) to conduct outreach to the homeless since 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, HOPE is a non-profit agency that is dedicated to ending homelessness through a variety of strategies including street engagement and visits to emergency shelters; and

**WHEREAS**, the City partnered with HOPE to pilot an employment program for homeless persons transitioning from the streets that would provide meaningful employment skills and serve as a transition and support for those leaving homelessness and pursuing individual stability; and

**WHEREAS**, the City funded this pilot program utilizing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from its FY 2015/16 funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the program provided homeless participants a work uniform and interview attire; and

**WHEREAS**, the program provided crucial skills experience to enable its participants to prepare for employment interviews and to seek resources to help them end their personal homelessness; and

**WHEREAS**, the program successfully employed 22 formerly homeless persons and 10 of these people were able to find permanent employment prior to the completion of the City's 32-hour employment program; and

**WHEREAS**, HOPE and its workers were able to engage 619 non-duplicated people in the streets during 678 unique engagements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Administration recommends retroactively approving the award of \$60,000 to HOPE to support the City's efforts to end homelessness in our City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby waive, by 5/7<sup>th</sup> vote, the competitive bidding requirement, finding said waiver to be in the City's best interest, and retroactively award \$60,000 to H.O.P.E. in Miami Dade, Inc. for the provision of employment services for the homeless; and further authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary agreements.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

*D. Lopez* 1/3/17  
City Attorney *DMT* Date