

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND MIAMI BEACH WATERSPORTS CENTER INC., IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000, TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAMMING NEEDS AT THE RONALD W. SHANE CENTER DURING.

WHEREAS, Miami Beach Watersports Center Inc., a not-for-profit Florida corporation ("MB Sports"), leases from the City the property located at 6500 Indian Creek Drive (The Ronald W, Shane Center, "the Center"); and

WHEREAS, MB Sports operates the Miami Beach Rowing Club, a premier rowing club which has undertaken a para-rowing program (the "Program") for rowers with a disability; and

WHEREAS, the Program has grown in popularity and needs financial assistance to expand, with the cost to operate the expanded Program estimated at \$160,000.00 annually; and

WHEREAS, commencing with FY 15/16 budget process, the City Commission has approved an annual budget enhancement, in the amount of \$85,000.00, to partially fund the Program; and

WHEREAS, with the City's support, MB Sports has accomplished the following achievements in FY 21/22:

- sustained quality coaching with experienced coaches;
- maintained the program completely free of charge to participants;
- novice/recreational athletes trained 3 times a week;
- experienced competitive athletes trained 4 times a week;
- provided team uniforms for participants;
- six adaptive athletes were able to compete at Erg Sprints;
- four adaptive athletes were able to compete at the annual Head of the Indian Creek race at the Center;
- athletes on land training used adapted ergometers (rowing machines) with fixed seats;
- athletes on water training used adaptive boats with specialized equipment (oars, seats, stabilizers, etc.); and
- athletes became part of a team, reduced feelings of isolation, enjoyed the camaraderie and outdoor environment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the annual Grant Agreements, MB Sports is required to provide priority in the Program to Miami Beach Residents and U.S. Military Service Members; and

WHEREAS, the annual Grant Agreements require MB Sports to provide a report on the number of participants trained, how the grant funds were spent and the Program's accomplishments in relationship to the grant funds provided by the City; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Parks and Recreation Department's FY 22/23 current service level budget, \$85,000.00 has been earmarked to partially fund the needs of the Center; and

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends that the Mayor and City Commission authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Grant Agreement with MB Sports, with funds approved during the FY 22/23 budget cycle, to fund the needs of the Center.

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 authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Grant Agreement between the City and Miami Beach Watersports Center Inc., in the total amount not to exceed \$85,000, to support the programming needs at the Ronald W. Shane Center.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 1st day of February, 2023.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney *Griff*

1-23-23
Date