

RESOLUTION NO. 25-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING HUDSON GILL, ESQ. OF THE LAW FIRM OF JOHNSON, ANSELMO, MURDOCH, BURKE, PIPER & HOCHMAN, P.A., AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE IN CONNECTION WITH RIVER CARLTON TAYLOR, LLC V. STATE OF FLORIDA, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, ET AL., RIVER LANDINGS PHASE ONE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. A FLORIDA CORPORATION, CASE NO.: CACE 24-016473(09), AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, Section 4.10 of the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, provides, in part, that "[t]he city commission may, by resolution, authorize one (1) or more special counsel to be retained for the purpose of performing such legal duties as may be prescribed by said resolution. Each such resolution shall further prescribe the compensation to be paid the special counsel."; and

WHEREAS, a lawsuit was filed seeking Quiet Title to Certain property within the City of Fort Lauderdale styled River Carlton Taylor, LLC v. State of Florida, a political subdivision, et al., River Landings Phase One Homeowners Association, Inc. a Florida Corporation, Case No.: CACE 24-016473(09) (hereinafter "River Carlton v River Landings litigation"); and

WHEREAS, filing a Motion to Intervene in this case is appropriate to protect the City's interests in (A) and (B) because of the lack of clarity in the pleadings; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to appoint Hudson Gill, Esq. of the law firm of Johnson, Anselmo, Murdoch, Burke, Piper & Hochman, P.A., as special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with the River Carlton v River Landings litigation;

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

SECTION 1. That Hudson Gill, Esq. of the law firm of Johnson, Anselmo, Murdoch, Burke, Piper & Hochman, P.A., is hereby appointed as special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with the River Carlton v River Landings litigation.

SECTION 2. That the law firm of Johnson, Anselmo, Murdoch, Burke, Piper & Hochman, P.A. shall be compensated for such services assigned after the effective date of this Resolution, at the hourly rates of \$300.00 per hour for partners, \$225.00 per hour for associates, and \$95.00 per hour for paralegals, to be paid upon the submission of periodic invoices to and approval by the City Attorney.

SECTION 3. That the City Attorney shall serve as liaison to such special counsel.

SECTION 4. That such special counsel hereby appointed shall serve at the pleasure of the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

SECTION 5. That the City Attorney is authorized to execute such documents as are necessary to secure the services of special counsel.

SECTION 6. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Mayor  
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

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City Clerk  
DAVID R. SOLOMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND CORRECTNESS:

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Interim City Attorney  
D'WAYNE M. SPENCE

Dean J. Trantalis \_\_\_\_\_  
John C. Herbst \_\_\_\_\_  
Steven Glassman \_\_\_\_\_  
Pamela Beasley-Pittman \_\_\_\_\_  
Ben Sorensen \_\_\_\_\_