

RESOLUTION NO. 25-163

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 25-142 TO EXPAND THE APPOINTMENT OF WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN COLE & BIERMAN, P.L., TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE IN A FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE NON-COMPLIANCE MATTER, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on August 27, 2025, the City Commission adopted Resolution No. 25-142, appointing Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L., as special counsel for "FDOT Traffic Control Device Non-Compliance" and related litigation and appeals should same arise; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida is in receipt of correspondence from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) dated August 29, 2025, referencing "Traffic Control Device Noncompliance," ("August 29 letter"); and

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";

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

SECTION 1. That Resolution No. 25-142 is amended by expanding the appointment of Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L., to encompass the alleged traffic control device noncompliance described in the August 29 letter and in any subsequent communication.

SECTION 2. That Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L. shall be paid the hourly rates of \$575.00 for senior partners, \$525.00 for partners and members, \$425.00 for associates, and \$175 for paralegals, plus actual reasonable expenses subject to the City Attorney's approval.

SECTION 3. That the City Attorney is authorized to execute a retainer agreement with Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L. containing terms acceptable to the City Attorney.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of September, 2025.



Mayor
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:



City Clerk
DAVID R. SOLOMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND CORRECTNESS:



Interim City Attorney
D'WAYNE M. SPENCE

Dean J. Trantalis	<u>Yea</u>
John C. Herbst	<u>Nay</u>
Steven Glassman	<u>Yea</u>
Pamela Beasley-Pittman	<u>Yea</u>
Ben Sorensen	<u>Yea</u>