

RESOLUTION NO. 25-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING 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, PRESCRIBING HOURLY RATES OF PAY FOR SUCH LEGAL SERVICES, AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE A RETAINER AGREEMENT, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida is in receipt of correspondence from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) dated August 21, 2025, referencing "Traffic Control Device Noncompliance" by the City of Fort Lauderdale; 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"; and

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

SECTION 1. That Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L. is hereby appointed as special counsel for "FDOT Traffic Control Device Non-Compliance" and related litigation and appeals should same arise; and

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 \_\_\_\_ 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:

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Interim City Attorney  
D'WAYNE M. SPENCE

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