## **RESOLUTION NO. 20-176**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN COLE & BIERMAN, P.L., AS SPECIAL COUNSEL, TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE IN COMPLEX REAL ESTATE MATTERS, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 4.10 of the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, provides, in part, "The 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:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L., is retained as special counsel to the City of Fort Lauderdale for complex real estate matters.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. That the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, authorizes the City Attorney to execute such agreements with Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L., as are necessary, with terms acceptable to the City Attorney.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. That the hourly amounts of \$450 for partner attorneys, \$225 for associate attorneys, and \$95 for paralegals, plus actual reasonable expenses subject to the City Attorney's approval, are prescribed as the compensation to be paid to Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L.

SECTION 4. That the City Attorney shall serve as liaison to such special counsel.

<u>SECTION 5</u>. That such special counsel hereby appointed shall serve at the pleasure of the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

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SECTION 6. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 6th day of October, 2020.

Mayor

DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

City Clerk

JEFFREY A. MODARELLI