



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#23-0567

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: June 20, 2023

TITLE: Resolution Consenting to a Final Performance Extension for One Year for
the Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund Program for Hayes Medical
Staffing, LLC (Project Bulldog)– **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3, 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution consenting to a final one-year performance extension for the Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund Program for Hayes Medical Staffing, LLC., a Florida Qualified Target Industry Business (QTI), in accordance with Section 288.106, Florida Statutes.

Background

On April 4, 2017, the city adopted a resolution approving local financial support for “Project Bulldog” (Hayes Medical Staffing, LLC) in accordance with the Florida QTI program.

Hayes Medical Staffing, LLC has experienced a slow-down in hiring due to the impacts of COVID-19 and is requesting a final one-year extension of its 2020 performance requirements for the QTI program.

Hayes Medical Staffing, LLC sent a letter dated June 9, 2022 to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity requesting that the Department authorize a final 12-month extension of Hayes Medical Staffing LLC’s 2022 performance requirements for the Florida Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund Program. The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity has advised that it may authorize an extension only after it obtains consent from the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Resource Impact

There is no budgetary impact for this Fiscal Year associated with this action. Funding for Fiscal Year 2023/24 through Fiscal Year 2024/25 is subject to approval and appropriation of the annual operating budget.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2024* initiative, included within the Business Development, specifically advancing:

- Goal 5: Build an attractive global and local economic community marketplace.
- Objective 1: Create a responsive and proactive business climate to attract emerging industries.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are Prosperous*.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Florida DEO Extension Request Approval

Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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