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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Thomas J. Ansbro, City Attorney

DATE: November 21, 2023

TITLE: Resolution Appointing Kelley Kronenberg, P.A., as Special Counsel, to

Represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in Complex Construction Matters -

(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

The City Attorney recommends that the City Commission adopt a resolution appointing Kelley Kronenberg, P.A., as special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in complex construction matters.

Background

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."

Due to occasional needs that arise from time to time, it is recommended that the City add to its roster of special counsel an attorney and law firm experienced in construction litigation. The purpose of this addition is to streamline the appointment process and to eliminate any delay in appointing and consulting with counsel in recurring construction issues and litigation.

Resource Impact

Funds available as of					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME	CHARACTER CODE/SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-001-1202-514-30-3119	City Attorney	Legal Services	\$1,288,261	\$1,166,344	\$50,000
			TOTAL AMOUNT ►		\$50,000

Attachments
Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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