

RESOLUTION NO. 24-249

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPROVING A CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE FY 2025 NOT FOR PROFIT GRANT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE STRANAHAN HOUSE, INC., AND A FOURTH ADDENDUM TO ESCROW AGREEMENT WITH THE STRANAHAN HOUSE, INC., AND ROGERS, MORRIS & ZIEGLER LLP, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE GRANT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AND THE ESCROW AGREEMENT, AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the mission of the Historic Stranahan House Museum is to tell the story of the birth of the Fort Lauderdale community through the lives of Frank Stranahan, who is credited as Fort Lauderdale's founding father, and his wife Ivy Cromartie Stranahan, the area's first school teacher, and the homestead they created, and to serve as an enduring legacy for historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of The Stranahan House, Inc., to preserve Stranahan House as a museum, historic site and social center for the community; to interpret Stranahan House through appropriate restorations, exhibitions, educational programs and tours; and to promote Stranahan House so that residents and visitors of all ages are aware of their opportunity to learn about the history of the region, thus furthering the social, cultural and historic viability of the community; and

WHEREAS, The Stranahan House, Inc., is embarking on a capital improvement project to enhance the Stranahan House Museum, which includes construction of a Welcome Center; and

WHEREAS, the City's contribution toward funding construction of a Welcome Center at the Stranahan House Museum is intended to enable the Museum to increase its capacity, enhance security, establish a ticket booth and an expanded gift shop featuring handcrafted items from local craftspeople, and facilitate personalized customer service for guests in order to direct them to museum services, other tourist points of interest, additional cultural venues, and area restaurants and shops, all of which will serve a legitimate public and municipal purpose; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a City of Fort Lauderdale FY 2021 Not for Profit Grant Participation Agreement, a City of Fort Lauderdale FY 2022 Not for Profit Grant Participation Agreement, a City of Fort Lauderdale FY 2023 Not for Profit Grant Participation Agreement, and a City of Fort Lauderdale FY 2024 Not for Profit Grant Participation Agreement, the City has contributed \$400,000, as governed by an Escrow Agreement by and among the City of Fort Lauderdale, The Stranahan House, Inc., and Rogers, Morris & Ziegler LLP, toward construction of a Welcome Center at the Stranahan House Museum;

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

SECTION 1. The City Commission approves a City of Fort Lauderdale FY 2025 Not for Profit Grant Participation Agreement with The Stranahan House, Inc., (“Grant Participation Agreement”), in substantially the form attached to City Commission Agenda Memo #24-0952, and authorizes execution of the Grant Participation Agreement.

SECTION 2. The City Commission approves a Fourth Addendum to Escrow Agreement with The Stranahan House, Inc., and Rogers, Morris & Ziegler LLP, (“Fourth Addendum”), in substantially the form attached to City Commission Agenda Memo #24-0952, and authorizes execution of the Fourth Addendum.

SECTION 3. That if any clause, section, or other part of this resolution shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this resolution shall not be affected thereby, but shall remain in full force and effect.


SECTION 4. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of December, 2024.



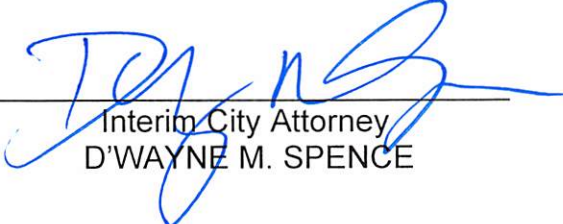
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