RESOLUTION NO. 22-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA DESIGNATING THE AUDIT ADVISORY BOARD AS THE AUDITOR SELECTION COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO THE UNIFORM LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING ACT AND PROVIDING FOR THE SELECTION OF A CHAIR, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Uniform Local Government Financial Management and Reporting Act, Florida Statutes, Sections 218.30-218.391, requires the governing body of a municipality to establish an Auditor Selection Committee; and

WHEREAS, the auditor selection committee's primary purpose is to assist the governing body in selecting an auditor to conduct the annual financial audit required in s. 218.39; however, the committee may serve other audit oversight purposes as determined by the entity's governing body; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. C-03-46 adopted on January 6, 2004 the City Commission established the Audit Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission adopted Ordinance No. C-04-30 on June 2, 2004 adding and making more specific the purpose and duties of the Board; and

WHEREAS, one of the purpose and duties of the Audit Advisory Board is to advise the City Commission regarding the appointment, compensation and retention (oversight of the work) of the independent auditor selected by the City to prepare or issue an audit report or perform other audits or attesting services for the City and to oversee such services; and

WHEREAS, that the purpose and duty of the Audit Advisory Board is aligned with the primary purpose of the Auditor Selection Committee;

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

- <u>SECTION 1</u>. The Audit Advisory Board shall be the Auditor Selection Committee for the city in accordance with Florida Statutes § 218.391 of the Uniform Local Government Financial Management and Reporting Act.
- SECTION 2. That a member of the City Commission shall serve as the chair of the Audit Advisory Board when it is functioning in the capacity of the Auditor Selection Committee, and shall be appointed by resolution of the City Commission.
- <u>SECTION 3</u>. The function of the Audit Advisory Board when functioning as the Auditor Selection Committee shall be as follows:

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- (a) Establish factors to use for the evaluation of audit services to be provided by a certified public accounting firm duly licensed under chapter 473, Florida Statutes and qualified to conduct audits in accordance with government auditing standards as adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy. Such factors shall include, but are not limited to, ability of personnel, experience, ability to furnish the required services, and such other factors as may be determined by the committee to be applicable to its particular requirements.
- (b) Publicly announce requests for proposals. Public announcements must include, at a minimum, a brief description of the audit and indicate how interested firms can apply for consideration.
- (c) Provide interested firms with a request for proposal. The request for proposal shall include information on how proposals are to be evaluated and such other information the committee determines is necessary for the firm to prepare a proposal.
- (d) Evaluate proposals provided by qualified firms. If compensation is one of the factors established pursuant to paragraph (a), it shall not be the sole or predominant factor used to evaluate proposals.
- (e) Rank and recommend in order of preference no fewer than three firms deemed to be the most highly qualified to perform the required services after considering the factors established pursuant to paragraph (a). If fewer than three firms respond to the request for proposal, the committee shall recommend such firms as it deems to be the most highly qualified.
- <u>SECTION 4</u>. The Audit Advisory Board shall be convened to function as the Auditor Selection Committee by the chair appointed pursuant to Section 2 of this resolution. The Audit Advisory Board shall adjourn as the Auditor Selection Committee upon the selection of an independent auditor by the City Commission

<u>SECTION 5</u>. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon and after its passage.

ADOPTED this 18th day of January, 2022.

- ✓Mayor

DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

Deputy City Clerk
DAVID R. SOLOMAN

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