## RESOLUTION NO. 22-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING THE LAW FIRM OF NABORS GIBLIN & NICKERSON, P.A., AS SPECIAL COUNSEL. TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE IN CONNECTION WITH THE UNSOLICITED BY PROPOSAL AND PROJECT SUBMITTED IDE TECHNOLOGIES/RIDGEWOOD INFRASTRUCTURE, OR IF NECESSARY ANY SUBSEQUENT-RANKED PROPOSERS, FOR THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF A NEW WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND ASSOCIATED SYSTEMS FOR THE CITY'S WATER UTILITY, INCLUDING ANY ASSOCIATED REGULATORY AND CONTRACTUAL MATTERS, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, 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," and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to appoint the law firm of Nabors Giblin & Nickerson, P.A., as special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with the unsolicited proposal and project submitted by IDE Technologies/Ridgewood Infrastructure, or if necessary any subsequent-ranked proposers, for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of a new water treatment plant and associated systems for the City's water utility, including any associated regulatory and contractual matters.

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

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That the law firm of Nabors Giblin & Nickerson, P.A., is hereby appointed as special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with the unsolicited proposal and project submitted by IDE Technologies/Ridgewood Infrastructure, or if necessary any subsequent-ranked proposers, for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of a new water treatment plant and associated systems for the City's water utility, including any associated regulatory and contractual matters.

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ATTEST:

City Clerk DAVID R. SOLOMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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<u>SECTION 2</u>. That the law firm of Nabors Giblin & Nickerson, P.A. shall be compensated for such services assigned after the effective date of this Resolution, at the hourly rates of \$300.00 per hour for shareholders and partners, \$200.00 per hour for associates, and \$100.00 per hour for paralegals, to be paid upon the submission of periodic invoices to and approval by the City Attorney.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. That the City Attorney shall serve as liaison to such special counsel.

<u>SECTION 4</u>. That such special counsel hereby appointed shall serve at the pleasure of the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

<u>SECTION 5</u>. That the City Attorney is authorized to execute such documents as are necessary to secure the services of special counsel.

<u>SECTION 6</u>. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

Mayor DEAN J. TRANTALIS

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