

RESOLUTION NO. 24-67

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING NS PR LAW SERVICES LLC D/B/A NAPOLI SHKOLNIK PLLC AND VENTURA LAW, AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE IN THE PROSECUTION OF ANY LEGAL CLAIM AGAINST MANUFACTURERS OF GENERIC PHARMACEUTICALS AND/OR THEIR EXECUTIVES BASED UPON THEIR ACTIONS FIXING PRICES, ENGINEERING KICKBACKS, AND ENGAGING IN OTHER ANTITRUST VIOLATIONS OR OTHER WRONGDOING WITH RESPECT TO INSULIN AND OTHER DIABETIC MEDICATION AND OTHER GENERIC PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS, 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 NS PR Law Services LLC d/b/a Napoli Shkolnik PLLC and Ventura Law, as special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with civil litigation to be promptly filed to pursue all available legal and equitable remedies in connection with the harm incurred by the City as a result of the unlawful, wrongful, deceptive, and fraudulent practices of manufacturers of generic pharmaceuticals and/or their executives based upon their actions fixing prices, engineering kickbacks, and engaging in other antitrust violations or other wrongdoing with respect to insulin and other diabetic medication and other generic prescription medications, which representation shall last through resolution of the lawsuit including through any and all appellate proceedings.

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

SECTION 1. That NS PR Law Services LLC d/b/a Napoli Shkolnik PLLC and Ventura Law, are hereby appointed as special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with civil litigation to be promptly filed to pursue all available legal and equitable remedies in connection with the harm incurred by the City as a result of the unlawful, wrongful, deceptive, and fraudulent practices of manufacturers of generic pharmaceuticals and/or their executives based upon their actions fixing prices, engineering kickbacks, and engaging in other antitrust violations or other wrongdoing with respect to insulin and other diabetic medication and other generic

prescription medications, which representation shall last through resolution of the lawsuit including through any and all appellate proceedings.

SECTION 2. That NS PR Law Services LLC d/b/a Napoli Shkolnik PLLC and Ventura Law, shall be compensated for such services assigned after the effective date of this Resolution, on a contingency fee basis as more fully set forth in the proposed legal services contract attached hereto.


SECTION 3. That the City Attorney shall serve as liaison to such special counsel.

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

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


SECTION 6. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 2nd day of April, 2024.



Mayor
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:



City Clerk
DAVID R. SOLOMAN


Dean J. Trantalis Yea

John C. Herbst Yea

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Steven Glassman Yea

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THOMAS J. ANSBRO

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