RESOLUTION NO. 18-109

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING THE LAW FIRM OF GREENBERG TRAURIG, P.A. AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CITY'S WITHDRAWAL FROM THE VARIOUS AGREEMENTS AND OBLIGATIONS RELATED TO THE WAVE MODERN STREETCAR PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale desires to appoint Greenberg Traurig, LLP as Special Counsel in connection with the City's withdrawal from the various agreements and obligations related to the Wave Modern Streetcar Project (hereafter the "Wave"); and

WHEREAS, the law firm of Greenberg Traurig, P.A., is experienced in matters relating to the Wave having been previously appointed by the City to serve as bond counsel (Resolution No. 13-99) and special counsel for the bond validation litigation connected with the issuance of special assessment bonds, Series 2013, for the Wave (Resolution No. 13-100), as well as special counsel to the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency regarding the incurring of debt to fund the design and construction of a portion of the Wave (Resolution No. 15-02);

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 Greenberg Traurig, P.A. is hereby appointed as Special Counsel for the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with the City's withdrawal from the various agreements and obligations related to the Wave.
- <u>SECTION 2</u>. The law firm of Greenberg Traurig, P.A. shall be paid a fee of the lesser of \$400.00 per hour or the timekeeper's standard hourly billing rate, or with prior notice to the City Attorney for limited legal inquiries, \$500.00 per hour for shareholders, including reasonable expenses, the total of which is not-to-exceed \$70,000.00 for said representation.
- SECTION 3. That the Interim 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 Interim City Attorney is authorized to execute such agreements as are necessary with the law firm selected in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution.

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

ADOPTED this the 19th day of June, 2018.

May

DEAN L. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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