



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#18-1106

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Alain E. Boileau, City Attorney

DATE: October 9, 2018

TITLE: Resolution appointing Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L., as special counsel, to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with litigation commenced in the United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, in the case styled *FLORIDA GUN SHOWS, INC., a Florida corporation, f/k/a SHOOT STRAIGHT GUN SHOWS, INC. v. CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, A Florida Municipality*, CASE NO. 18-62345-Civ-Moreno

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution appointing Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L., as special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with litigation commenced in the United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, in the case styled *FLORIDA GUN SHOWS, INC., a Florida corporation, f/k/a SHOOT STRAIGHT GUN SHOWS, INC. v. CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, A Florida Municipality*, CASE NO. 18-62345-Civ-Moreno.

Background

On October 2, 2018, an action was filed in the United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, alleging violations of: (1) the First Amendment; (2) the Fourteenth Amendment; and (3) Sec. 790.33, Florida Statutes.

It is recommended that the City appoint special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with the above referenced litigation.

Resource Impact

Funds are available in the FY 2019 Budget in the account listed below:

<i>Funds available as of October 4, 2018</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
001-ATT010101-3119	City Attorney	Services-Materials / Legal Services	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$50,000
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$50,000

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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