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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Alain E. Boileau, City Attorney

DATE: November 5, 2019

TITLE: Resolution appointing Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L., as

special counsel, to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with the AIDS Healthcare Foundation's (AHF)'s appeal to the Board of Adjustment and any subsequent legal proceedings therefrom -

(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4)

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 the AIDS Healthcare Foundation's (AHF) appeal to the Board of Adjustment and any subsequent legal proceedings therefrom.

Background

On October 16, 2019, AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Inc. (AHF), the owner of real property located at 409 S.E. 8th Street, Fort Lauderdale, submitted an appeal to the City's Board of Adjustment of the September 23, 2019 decision of the Department of Sustainable Development denying AHF's Development Application No. R19041

Due to the fact that the City Attorney's Office is counsel to the Board of Adjustment, it is recommended that the City appoint special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with the above referenced appeal and any subsequent proceedings therefrom.

Resource Impact

Funds for this agreement in the amount of \$150,000 are available in the FY 2020 Budget in the account listed below:

Funds available as of 10/28/2019					
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	\$906,667	\$765,936	\$150,000
			TOTAL AMOUNT ►		

Attachment Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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