

RESOLUTION NO. 19-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING MEREDYTH SLOANE COOPER, ESQUIRE, AND THE LAW FIRM OF LYDECKER DIAZ, AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE FOR CONSTRUCTION RELATED MATTERS, PRESCRIBING AN HOURLY RATE OF PAY FOR SUCH LEGAL SERVICES, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, desires to appoint Meredyth Sloane Cooper, Esquire, and the law firm of Lydecker Diaz, as Special Counsel to the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with construction related matters;

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

SECTION 1. That Meredyth Sloane Cooper, Esquire, and the law firm of Lydecker Diaz, is hereby appointed as special counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in connection with construction related matters.

SECTION 2. That Meredyth Sloane Cooper, Esquire and the law firm of Lydecker Diaz shall be paid for legal services provided in connection with matters assigned after the effective date of this Resolution at an hourly rate of \$225.00 for partner level attorneys, \$150.00 for associate attorneys, and \$95.00 for paralegals, plus actual reasonable expenses subject to the City Attorney's approval.

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 agreements as are necessary with the law firm selected in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution.

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

ADOPTED this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.

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Mayor  
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

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City Clerk  
JEFFREY A. MODARELLI