

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R-90**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND DRC EMERGENCY SERVICES, LLC, TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL SERVICES FOR THE REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF SARGASSUM FROM THE CITY'S CANALS, AT AN ADDITIONAL COST NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000.00); PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, On May 15, 2019, the City of North Miami ("City") entered into an agreement with DRC Emergency Services, LLC ("DRC") for disaster debris collection and removal with a contract term continuing through May 14, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, it is predicted that a giant mass of seaweed ("Sargassum") will be headed for the shores of Florida within the next few months and will have a great impact on Florida's coastlines due to the unpleasant smell and health hazards affecting those who live and work near the beach; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to mitigate the potential health and environmental impacts of Sargassum, City staff has requested a proposal from DRC for the removal and disposal of floating Sargassum mats as they encroach into the City's various canal inlets; and

**WHEREAS**, services will include the coordination with City staff to identify and mobilize at the most impacted canals as well as obtaining all necessary permits from regulatory agencies for a cost not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the City Administration respectfully requests that the Mayor and City Council authorize an amendment to the Agreement to attain additional services, for the aforementioned reasons, benefitting the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1. Authority of City Manager and City Attorney.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the City Manager and City Attorney

to negotiate an amendment to the agreement between the City of North Miami and DRC Emergency Services, LLC, to include additional services for the removal and disposal of Sargassum from the City's canals, at a cost not-to-exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00).


**Section 2.** **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by a 5 - 0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 23rd day of May, 2023.



ALIX DESULME, Ed.D.  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

  
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JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.  
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: Charles

Seconded by: Estimé-Irvin

**Vote:**

Mayor Alix Desulme, Ed.D.

X (Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No)

Vice-Mayor Mary Estimé-Irvin

X (Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No)

Councilman Scott Galvin

X (Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No)

Councilwoman Kassandra Timothe, MPA

X (Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No)

Councilman Pierre Frantz Charles

X (Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No)