

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R-170**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND BECKER & POLIAKOFF, P.A., TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL LOBBYING SERVICES AT A MONTHLY COST NOT EXCEEDING SIX THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$6,670.00); WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7-120(B) OF THE NORTH MIAMI CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, on February 1, 2017, the City of North Miami (“City”) issued *Request for Qualifications #28-16-17 – Federal Government Lobbying Services* (“RFQ”) to provide the City with federal government lobbying services in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in the RFQ (“Services”); and

**WHEREAS**, Becker & Poliakoff, P.A. (“Contractor”) was found to be the top-ranked firm based on the results of the City’s Evaluation Committee, demonstrating to be the most advantageous to the City in the provision of Services; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 25, 2017, the Mayor and City Council passed and adopted Resolution No. 2017-R-61, approving the City administration’s competitive selection of Contractor; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 1, 2017, the City executed an agreement with the Contractor for the provision of Services, as authorized by the Mayor and City Council under Resolution No. 2017-R-61 (“Agreement”); and

**WHEREAS**, the City has exhausted all of its options to renew and the current agreement has expired; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has continuously received satisfactory federal lobbying services and is desirous of continuing the City’s agreement with Contractor for an additional year; and

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor and City Council have determined that the execution of an Agreement to provide for the continuation of federal lobbying services is in the best interest of the City and should be entered into.

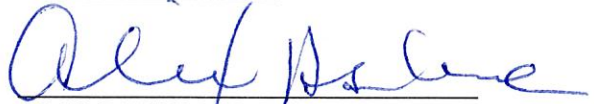
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1.**     **Waiver.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby waive competitive bidding procedures in accordance with Section 7-120(b) of the Procurement Code.


**Section 2.**     **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 and execute an Agreement between the City of North Miami and Becker & Poliakoff, P.A. for Federal Lobbying Services at a monthly cost not to exceed six thousand six hundred seventy dollars (\$6,670.00).

**Section 3.**     **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 26th day of September, 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: Galvin

Seconded by: Charles

**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, M.Ed.

X (Yes)        (No)