

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-R-4

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A DRONE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ("FDLE") TO PROVIDE FOR THE NORTH MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT'S REPLACEMENT OF NON-COMPLIANT DRONES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Florida Legislature amended Section 934.50 which required that governmental agencies using any drone not produced by an approved manufacturer to implement a plan to discontinue the use of such drones by January 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, during the 2023 Florida Legislative Session, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement ("FDLE") received approximately \$25 million in nonrecurring funds to implement "The Drone Replacement Grant Program" to assist agencies in replacing banned drones, providing up to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) per drone for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, funds under this program will be awarded to reimburse Florida Law Enforcement agencies who relinquish non-compliant drones to FDLE; and

WHEREAS, available funds will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis until all funds are expended; and

WHEREAS, this grant will allow the North Miami Police Department ("NMPD") to replace drones that are not in compliance with Rule 60GG-2.0075, Florida Administrative Code with a new drone; and

WHEREAS, in order to participate in this program, a Drone Replacement Program Financial Assistance Agreement between Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the City of North Miami ("City") is required; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council believe that entering into an agreement with the FDLE for these purposes will benefit the residents of the City of North Miami and should be entered into.


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

Section 1. Approval of Agreement. The Mayor and City Council hereby approves the Drone Replacement Program Financial Assistance Agreement between the City of North Miami and The Florida Department of Law Enforcement for the benefit of the North Miami Police Department receiving nonrecurring funds in an amount up to Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$25,000.00) per replaced drone, in substantially the form attached as Exhibit "A."

Section 2. Authority of Interim City Manager and Police Chief. The Interim City Manager and the Chief of Police are authorized to execute the Drone Replacement Program Financial Assistance Agreement, attached as Exhibit "A". and to execute all documents necessary to effectuate receipt of this grant.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution will be effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 5 - 0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 14th day of January, 2025.


ALIX DESULME, ED.D.
MAYOR

ATTEST :



VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

for *Jennifer Warden*
JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: Charles

Seconded by: Desulme

Vote:

Mayor Alix Desulme, Ed.D.

X (Yes) (No)

Vice Mayor Mary Estimé-Irvin

X (Yes) (No)

Councilman Kevin A. Burns

X (Yes) (No)

Councilwoman Kassandra Timothe, MPA

X (Yes) (No)

Councilman Pierre Frantz Charles, M.Ed.

X (Yes) (No)