## **RESOLUTION NO. 24-2041**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR GRANT SUPPORT SERVICES WITH BELLTOWER CONSULTING GROUP, LLC, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Chapter 2, Article V, Division 2, Section 2-155(d) of the Town of Miami Lakes Code of Ordinances provides that the Town Manager may request authorization from the Town Council to waive the requirements of Chapter 2, Article V, Division 2, Section 2-155(d) where the Town Manager has made a written recommendation where, based on specific circumstances, it is not practical to comply with the requirements of this Section for a specific solicitation; and

WHEREAS, the Town Manager has made a written recommendation that based on specific circumstances it is not practical to comply with the requirements of Chapter 2, Article V, Division 2, Section 2-155(d) of the Town of Miami Lakes Code of Ordinances for professional services with BellTower Consulting Group, LLC ("BellTower") for grant services support; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2023, the Town has benefited from BellTower services through the award of FDOT and FDEP grants; and

WHEREAS, the Town Manager believes that it is in the Town's best interest to waive solicitation and contract with BellTower in order to provide necessary grant services support; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council approves of the Town Manager's recommendation, authorizes a waiver of the requirements of Chapter 2, Article V, Division 2, Section 2-155(d) of the Town's Procurement Ordinance and authorizes the Town Manager to enter into a contract with BellTower Consulting Group, LLC for said services in accordance with Chapter 2, Article V, Division 2, Section 2-155(d) of the Town of Miami Lakes Code of Ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Recitals.</u> The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Waiver of Competitive Bidding. The Town Council hereby waives the requirements of Chapter 2, Article V, Division 2, Section 2-155(d) of the Town of Miami Lakes Code of Ordinances.

Section 3. Approval of the Contract. The Town Council hereby approves the execution of a Contract with BellTower Consulting Group, LLC., in substantially the same form as attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

Section 4. Authorization of Town Officials. The Town Manager, his designee and the Town Attorney are authorized to take all steps necessary to implement the terms and conditions of the Contract.

Section 5. Authorization of Fund Expenditure. The Town Manager is authorized to expend budgeted funds to implement the terms and conditions of this Resolution and the Contract.

**Section 6. Execution of the Contract.** The Town Manager is authorized to execute the contract with BellTower Consulting LLC, and to execute any extension and/or amendments to the Contract, subject to approval as to form and legality by the Town Attorney.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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Passed and adopted this 15th day of October 2024.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Councilmember Collazo who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Morera and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Manny Cid	No
Vice Mayor Tony Fernandez	Yes
Councilmember Luis E. Collazo	Yes
Councilmember Josh Dieguez	Yes
Councilmember Ray Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Bryan Morera	Yes
Councilmember Marilyn Ruano	Yes

Manny Cid MAYOR

Attest:

Gina M. Inguanzo TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Lorenzo Cobiella Gastesi, Lopez, and Mestre! PLLC DEPUTY TOWN ATTORNEY

## **EXHIBIT A**

Agreement
between the
Town of Miami Lakes
and
BellTower Consulting, LLC