

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO IMPLEMENT A SETTLEMENT WITH CRAIG A. SMITH & ASSOCIATES, LLC AND BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC, D/B/A AT&T FLORIDA, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,050,000.00.

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2022, the City filed a civil lawsuit against Bellsouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Florida ("AT&T"), (Case No. CACE-22-011957), in the Circuit Court of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida, (hereinafter referred to as the "Litigation"); and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2024, the City filed an Amended Complaint adding Craig A. Smith & Associates, LLC ("CAS") as a defendant in the Litigation; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney and the attorneys for AT&T and CAS have negotiated a settlement in the total amount of \$1,050,000.00 to be paid to the City; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to avoid the uncertainty, inconvenience, burden, and expense of litigation, and wish to settle the Litigation without any admission of wrongdoing or liability by the parties; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney recommends that the City Commission approve the negotiated settlement.

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

Section 1: That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are incorporated in this Resolution.

Section 2: That the above-described settlement is approved.

Section 3: That appropriate City officials are authorized to take all necessary steps to implement the settlement.

Section 4: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

JOSH LEVY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DAMARIS HENLON
INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY