

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE INITIATION OF CHAPTER 164 CONFLICT RESOLUTION PROCEEDINGS WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA; DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO DISTRIBUTE THIS RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, the City, along with many other municipalities in Broward County, Florida, places School Resource Officers (“SROs”) in both public and charter schools; and

WHEREAS, Section 1006.12, Florida Statutes, provides, in pertinent part, that “each district school board and school district superintendent shall partner with law enforcement agencies or security agencies to establish one or more safe-school officers at each school facility within the district, including charter schools,” and further provides a mechanism for reimbursement of the cost of those law enforcement personnel; and

WHEREAS, despite over 11 months of attempted, good faith and ongoing negotiation with the School Board of Broward County, Florida (“SBBC”) for an agreement covering the 2022-2023 School Year, SBBC has failed to establish a safe-school relationship with Hollywood, as statutorily required, and has refused to provide reasonable and fair compensation to Hollywood for the 15 SROs that Hollywood has placed in its schools since the start of the 2022-2023 School Year in August 2022; and

WHEREAS, SBBC has yet to tender any payment to Hollywood as compensation and reimbursement for the SROs that Hollywood has placed in its public and charter schools, despite the fact that the 2022-2023 School Year ends in less than two months; and

WHEREAS, as the current school year end approaches, the parties would ordinarily commence negotiation of an agreement covering School Year 2023-2024, yet due to SBBC’s refusal to enter into an agreement with Hollywood for the current school year, negotiations for an agreement covering the next school year are jeopardized; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the foregoing, the City notifies SBBC of its intent to initiate conflict resolution proceedings with SBBC pursuant to Chapter 164, Florida Statutes, to resolve the issues between the City and SBBC; and

WHEREAS, it is the City’s intent to comply with the requirements of Chapter 164 by authorizing the initiation of such proceedings through this Resolution.

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 incorporated in this Resolution.

Section 2: That it authorizes and initiates Chapter 164 conflict resolution proceedings against the School Board of Broward County, Florida, and authorizes the City Manager to provide the required notice of same in the form attached as Exhibit "A."

Section 3: That the City Clerk is directed to distribute copies of this Resolution and the attached Notice to the Broward County Commission; the Broward Legislative Delegation; the Florida and Broward County League of Cities; the City Clerks for all municipalities within Broward County, Florida; the Office of the Governor for the State of Florida, and to any other entities that the City Commission directs.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2023.

JOSH LEVY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DOUGLAS R. GONZALES
CITY ATTORNEY