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April 7, 2020

RE: Notice of Termination of Negotiations and Proposed Agreement for Hollywood Beach Golf Course

Dear Mr. McCumber,

As you are aware, the City Commission passed and adopted Resolution No. R-2019- 229, which authorized City staff to negotiate an agreement with McCumber Golf, as the highest ranked firm. Although negotiations of a proposed agreement were completed and a proposed agreement set to be considered by the City Commission, certain facts were brought to City staff's attention that resulted in the item being withdrawn, as these facts affected the negotiation and agreement process

Amongst the facts that have been considered by the City are: (1) You submitted your response to the City's Request for Qualifications in the name of McCumber & Associates, which was not a registered corporation with the Florida State Division of Corporation whereby you were not authorized to do business in the State of Florida; (2) Section V of the Bid entitled "Selection Criteria" required experience of five years as a Golf Course Architectural Consultant which McCumber & Associates does not have; (3) The Request for Qualifications specifically stated that the City desired to contract with ***an architectural firm to provide complete architectural and engineering design services*** and McCumber & Associates is not an architectural firm, as was evident when you provided the City with documentation after issues arose that your firm is a "Golf Architect" only. The City's intent was to contract with a licensed architect firm that could provide "architectural and engineering design services" with a component addressed for golf course architectural services. When the City inquired about the firm's license as an architectural firm, your company's response was that you did not need a license as state law provides that a golf course architect is not required to be licensed. While state law may have this provision, the City's interest was to retain and contract with an architectural firm and we would not be directly contracting with your golf course architect that your firm may have on staff or hired as a subcontractor. Thus, it was discovered your company did not have the proper architectural or engineering licenses that were required to qualify under the City's Request for Qualification.

In accordance with Section XVIII. of the Request for Qualifications and Section 38.42(E), Hollywood Code of Ordinances, the City has determined that it is in its best interest to terminate the negotiation and proposed agreement with your company.

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McCumber & Associates, Inc.

Very truly yours,

Paul Bassar

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