RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH HOPE SOUTH FLORIDA, INC. TO PROVIDE RENT AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE UTILIZING STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$510,000.00; AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 OPERATING BUDGET (R-2019-283).

WHEREAS, the City is a participant in the State Housing Initiatives Partnership ("SHIP") program as provided in Section 420.907, et. seq., Florida Statutes, and Rule 67-37, Florida Administrative Code, and has adopted a Local Housing Assistance Plan ("LHAP") in furtherance of its goal of encouraging production of safe, decent, and affordable housing for the citizens of Hollywood; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with SHIP program requirements, the City may enter into agreements with non-profit agencies, private corporations, and/or other governmental agencies for purposes of implementing the SHIP program; and

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2018, the City Commission passed and adopted Resolution No. R-2018-208, approving an amendment to the LHAP for State of Florida Fiscal Years 2016-2017, 2017-2018, and 2018-2019, including a Disaster Assistance Strategy; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Assistance strategy includes providing rental assistance, security and/or utility deposits and rapid re-housing; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Development Services/Community Development Division desires to retain an organization to assist it in utilizing current SHIP funds to implement a rent and utility assistance program due to the current COVID-19 circumstances, which has impacted residents within Hollywood's community; and

WHEREAS, HOPE South Florida, Inc. ("HOPE") possesses the requisite skills to administer programs to assist with rent and utilities; and

WHEREAS, HOPE has been a sub-recipient of Home Investment Partnerships funds from the City since 2014, and the agency has successfully operated programs to assist with rent and utilities; and WHEREAS, HOPE has the requisite staffing infrastructure and experience to use SHIP funds to provide services consistent with the Disaster Assistance Strategy eligible clientele; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends securing the services of HOPE to administer SHIP funds for rent and utilities assistance to eligible Hollywood residents; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution seeks to amend the budget as detailed in the attached "Exhibit 1", which allocates funds within the Local Housing Assistance Trust Fund for the purposes of allocating funds to SHIP program expenditures and for rent and utility assistance; and

WHEREAS, Section 38.40(C)(8) of the City's Purchasing Code provides that when the City Commission declares by a 5/7ths vote that competitive bidding and competitive proposals are not in the best interest of the City, such purchases are exempt from the competitive bidding and competitive proposal requirements.

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

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

<u>Section 2</u>: That it approves and authorizes the execution, by the appropriate City officials, of the attached Agreement with HOPE South Florida, Inc., together with such non-material changes as may be subsequently agreed to by the City Manager and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the City Attorney.

Section 3: That these Amendments to the FY 2020 Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2019 and set forth in detail in the attached Exhibit "1" are adopted and authorized as Amendments to the Operating Budget of the Local Housing Assistance Trust Fund (Fund 164) of the City of Hollywood, Florida, for the Fiscal Year 2020.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

JOSH LEVY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY for the use and reliance of the City of Hollywood, Florida, only.

DOUGLAS R. GONZALES CITY ATTORNEY