

**RESOLUTION 16-\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR A TOWNWIDE TREE PLANTING PROGRAM; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Cutler Bay (“Town”) as a result of past hurricanes, tropical storms, and other conditions has lost a great deal of tree canopy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town is continuing its efforts to meet the Arbor Day Foundation’s annual requirements to receive their Tree City USA designation and Growth Award by planting replacement tree canopy reduced by past storm events as well as to provide enhancements to the tree trimming maintenance services of the existing tree canopy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council recognizes the importance of increasing the existing tree canopy within the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council adopted the 2009 Street Tree Master Plan via Resolution # 09-02 which identified roadway canopy percentages, recommended Florida native tree selections and planting instructions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town since its incorporation has reached an important milestone of planting over 3,135 Florida native trees throughout the Town-owned right-of-ways and swale areas; and

**WHEREAS**, Town staff has developed a Request for Proposal (“RFP”) in order to solicit sealed bids for the purchase and planting of Florida native streetscape trees as outline in the Town’s adopted 2009 Street Tree Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Town Ordinance Number 06-22 requires the Town Manager to obtain authorization from the Town Council to advertise solicitations for bids and proposals prior to advertising the solicitation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council has included in the fiscal year 2016-17 Stormwater Utility budget, funding for the tree planting program throughout the Town’s right-of-ways; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council finds that this Resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the Town.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, THAT:**

**Section 1.** **Recitals.** The above Recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2. Town Manager Authorization.** The Town Manager is hereby authorized to advertise and issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a Town-wide Tree Planting Program, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

**Section 3. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day September, 2016.

Attest:

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PEGGY R. BELL  
Mayor

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JACQUILINE N. WILSON,  
Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE  
SOLE USE OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY:

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WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN  
COLE, & BIERMAN, P.L.  
Town Attorney

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:

Mayor Peggy R. Bell \_\_\_\_\_

Vice Mayor Ernest Sochin \_\_\_\_\_

Council Member Roger Coriat \_\_\_\_\_

Council Member Sue Ellen Loyzelle \_\_\_\_\_

Council Member Mary Ann Mixon \_\_\_\_\_