



Office of the Town Manager

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MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Town Council

From: Rafael G. Casals, ICMA-CM, CFM, Town Manager

Date: August 26, 2020

Re: Approving a Miami-Dade County Interlocal Agreement for reimbursement of expenses incurred due to the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019

REQUEST

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR FEDERALLY-FUNDED SUBAWARD WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED DUE TO THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PURSUANT TO THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

Since March 2020, the nation has been under a State of Emergency due to the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) pandemic. On March 27, 2020, President Trump signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (the “CARES Act”) into law. The CARES Act includes a \$150 Billion Coronavirus Relief Fund to reimburse local governments for necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19, that are not covered by FEMA or other CARES related grant programs.

Miami-Dade County received \$474 million from the Coronavirus Relief Fund established under the CARES Act. On August 4, 2020 the County Commission voted to allocate up to \$100 million from the Fund to the municipalities within Miami-Dade County. Municipalities may request reimbursement from Miami-Dade County to meet the local match required by FEMA, governmental operations related to COVID-19 that are not FEMA reimbursable, and





approved new programs (*Attachment “A”*). Eligible funds must be incurred during the period that began March 1, 2020 to December 30, 2020.

The Town is closely tracking expenses and is complying with requests for information from the County. On August 3, 2020, the Town submitted an expense overview to Miami-Dade County, detailing over \$3 million in current and future expenses that are potentially eligible for reimbursement under the County’s Coronavirus Relief Fund.

In order to begin drawing down funds for eligible expenses, the Town desires to execute the proposed Interlocal Agreement with Miami-Dade County.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Resolution, approving a Miami-Dade County Interlocal Agreement for reimbursement of expenses incurred due to the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment “A” - Coronavirus Relief Fund (CARES Act) Program Overview

