



MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Council

From: Rafael G. Casals, Town Manager

Date: June 20, 2018

Re: The Children's Trust Grant Agreement (RFP #2018-02)

REQUEST

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CHILDREN'S TRUST AND THE TOWN FOR THE PROVISION OF A ROBOTICS SUMMER CAMP AT TOWN HALL; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SAME; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

On January 31, 2018, the Town of Cutler Bay (the "Town") submitted a grant proposal to The Children's Trust (the "Trust") in response to the Trust's "Youth Development RFP #2018-02," for the continuation of the Town's "Careers in STEM Summer Camp" (the "Camp"). The Town's Camp falls under the Trust's program focus area of "Career & Technical Certification Programming." In collaboration with primary partner, Miami-Dade College School of Continuing Education and Professional Development Homestead Campus, youth will participate in a six (6) week Robotics Engineering camp for grade levels 6-8. Using a combination of hands-on instruction and online skills assessments, youth will earn digital learning badges culminating in an "Introduction to Robotics" certification from Carnegie Mellon University. Additional activities include: fitness/nutrition, life skills, educational field trips, and a Robotics Festival (a group community service project). The Town targets middle school youth (entering grades 6-8), living in the Town (including priority zip code 33157) and surrounding priority areas of South Miami Heights and Goulds.

On May 29, 2018, the Trust's Board of Directors formally approved the Town's application and awarded a grant in the amount of \$135,700.00. This project will begin in Summer 2019 and is renewable for up to five (5) years for a total of \$678,500.00.



RECOMMENDATION

We recommend that the attached resolution be adopted authorizing the Town Manager to execute the agreement between the Town and the Trust, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit “A,” on behalf of the Town, subject to the approval of the Town Attorney as to form, content and legal sufficiency.

