



RESOLUTION # 2020-43

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT FOR GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS WITH CONVERGE GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS OF FLORIDA, INC. FOR A PERIOD OF TWO FISCAL YEARS COMMENCING OCTOBER 1ST, 2020 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2022; ACCEPTING THE REDUCTION OF RETAINER FEES FROM CONVERGE IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS \$30,000 FOR FY 2020-21; REINSTATING THE FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS \$ 50,000.00 RETAINER COMMENCING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, by Resolution 2019-54, the City Commission approved a resolution approving a negotiated contract with Converge Governmental Affairs of Florida, Inc. "Converge" to provide the City with representation and consulting services in Tallahassee, Florida as provided in the contract dated October 10, 2019 attached as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, said contract established that the contract would be extended for three (3) consecutive periods of one (1) year;

WHEREAS, said contract retainer was approved for \$50,000.00;

WHEREAS, due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, Converge has agreed to reduce the original amount of \$50,000 to \$30,000 for the FY 2020-21;

WHEREAS, Converge has requested that the contract dated October 10, 2019 be renewed for an additional two (2) years ending in FY 2021-22; and

WHEREAS, Converge has also requested that the original amount of \$50,000 of the contract be reinstated for the FY 2021-22.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI THAT:

SECTION 1. The aforementioned statements are true and correct and adopted as is fully stated herein.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents extending the contract with Converge Governmental Affairs of Florida, Inc. for representation in Tallahassee, Florida for a period of two years ending in FY 2021-22.

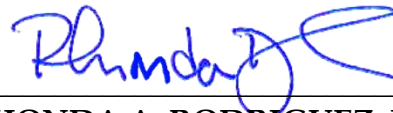
SECTION 3. The contract for FY 2020-21 shall be in the amount of \$30,000.00

SECTION 4. That the original amount of \$50,000 shall be reinstated for FY 2021-22 as per Exhibit "B."

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage by the City Commission and signature of the Mayor.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of September 2020.

APPROVED:



RHONDA A. RODRIGUEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:



**ANNERY GONZALEZ, MMC
CITY CLERK**

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND SUFFICIENCY:



JOSE A. VILLALOBOS, CITY ATTORNEY

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Offered by Commissioner Blanca, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Blanes . The vote was as follows:

MAYOR RHONDA A. RODRIGUEZ	<u>Y</u>
VICE-MAYOR ERIC DIAZ-PADRON	<u>Y</u>
COMMISSIONER CANDIDA BLANCA	<u>Y</u>
COMMISSIONER JUAN M. BLANES	<u>Y</u>
COMMISSIONER LUCIANO L. SUAREZ	<u>Absent</u>



Via E-mail

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Yolanda Aguilar, City Manager
City of West Miami
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Miami, FL 33144

Re: Contract renewal

Dear Yolanda:

It has been our pleasure to provide government affairs representation to the City of West Miami during the previous year. As you know, Resolution # 2019-54 (attached) authorizes an option to renew our contract for an additional two (2) years. We therefore propose the City execute a two (2) year contract renewal pursuant to the Resolution, with a term of 10/1/2020 to 9/30/2022.

We are pleased to offer a renewal on the same terms as the original contract. If you agree to a two (2) year contract renewal on these terms, please attach your signature below and return this executed document to me.

Very truly yours,

Jonathan Kilman
Chairman
Converge Government Affairs of Florida, Inc.

Agreed and Accepted:

YOLANDA AGUILAR
Name

CITY MANAGER
Title

9/21/2020
Date

approved 9/16/2020
4/0 VOTE BY
Resolution