

# CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

## RESOLUTION NO. 2025-XXX

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY OFFICER AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT WITH FORERUNNER INDUSTRIES, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AND THE COMMUNITY RATING SYSTEM (CRS) AS A “SOLE SOURCE”, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-689, SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$54,900.00 FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coral Gables is seeking to utilize technology driven Floodplain Management and through the Community Rating System (CRS) incentivize extra measures for flood protection; and

**WHEREAS**, Forerunner is a software service designed to help with Floodplain Management and the Community Rating System (CRS) by using a municipal dashboard simplifying workflows, alleviating effort, and avoiding costs; and, a Resident App that provides citizens with a Flood Information Center interface; and

**WHEREAS**, Forerunner Industries, Inc. is the only vendor that provides a unique suite of software as a service (SaaS) that allows municipalities to efficiently administer their floodplain management programs, monitor compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), and streamline activities related to the CRS; and

**WHEREAS**, Forerunner Industries, Inc. is the only vendor available that has developed software customized to extract data from Elevation Certificates and for parcel- level floodplain management analysis; and

**WHEREAS**, Forerunner Industries, Inc. is the sole creator and distributor of their cloud-based Floodplain Management software solution and has no other distributors or authorized repair/service centers; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's Development Services, Economic Development, and Innovation and Technology directors deem this software necessary to effectively manage floodplains in coordination and compliance with FEMA and the County, ensure accurate CRS

reporting and compliance, and mitigate associated risks, costs and impact; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2-585 of the Procurement Code, entitled "Authority" authorizes the City Manager to delegate authority to the Procurement Officer to administer and make recommendations on contract awards.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:**

**SECTION 1.** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Commission accepts the recommendation of the Procurement Officer and authorizes the City Manager to execute an agreement to purchase the Forerunner Floodplain Platform SaaS to aid NFIP Floodplain Management and incentivize insurance discounts to property owners under CRS, pursuant to Section 2- 689 of the City's Procurement Code.

**SECTION 3.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS ELEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, A.D., 2025