CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-172

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION TO WAIVE THE COMPETITIVE BID PROCESS OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE AS **SPECIAL** Α PROCUREMENT/BID WAIVER FOR THE CONTINUATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH BRICKS 4 KIDZ FOR LEGO AND ROBOTICS PROGRAMMING AND SERVICES AT THE WAR MEMORIAL YOUTH CENTER, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-691 OF THE CITY'S PROCUREMENT CODE.

WHEREAS, due to Covid-19, the original Lego and robotics program was suspended and the vendor who provided the contracted Lego and Robotics programs was displaced from the War Memorial Youth Center; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 at the request from the public, staff contacted the formerly contracted Lego and robotics vendor and initiated programming using a Professional Service Agreement using Procurement Code, Section 2-607(24); and

WHEREAS, the community demand for these Lego and robotics services increased to provide more classes and camps as a result of the programs popularity and high quality programming services rendered by the vendor; and

WHEREAS, the program serves more than 100 children at the War Memorial Youth Center; and

WHEREAS, the Community Recreation Department recommends continuing with this contracted Lego and robotics vendor for programming services in order to provide continuity of operations and high-level services through the Fall/Winter 2024 programming season, which will allow for a formal RTQ process to be initiated; and

WHEREAS, approval of the competitive bid waiver will allow for the continuation of existing contracted Lego and Robotics services to the community and patrons of the War Memorial Youth Center; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-691 of the Procurement Code entitled "Special Procurement/Bid Waiver" authorizes the Chief Procurement Officer to initiate a special procurement/bid waiver when an unusual or unique situation exists that makes the application of all requirements of competitive sealed bidding or competitive sealed proposal contrary to the public interest; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-585 of the Procurement Code, entitled "Authority" authorizes the City Manager to delegate authority to the Chief 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 this recommendation and authorizes the City Manager to waive the competitive bid process for the continuation of contracted Lego and Robotics services with Bricks 4 Kids for patrons of the War Memorial Youth Center, pursuant to Section 2-691 of the City's Procurement Code through the Fall/Winter 2024 programming season.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF AUGUST 2024.

(Moved: Menendez / Seconded: Fernandez)

(Unanimous Voice Vote) (Agenda Item: D-11)

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