CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AWARD THE IRMA TREE REPLACMENT PROJECT FOR PUBLIC WORKS TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER(S), IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THE AVAILABLE BUDGET, PURSUANT TO INVITATION TO BIDS (IFB) 2018-014 AND SECTION 2-763 OF THE CITY'S PROCUREMENT CODE.

WHEREAS, an Invitation for Bids (IFB) was issued on June 28, 2018 to purchase approximately one thousand (1,000) new trees and palms (500 Live oak, 300 Coconut palm and 200 Bulnesia Arborea) that will be planted along residential streets throughout the City to replace those lost or damaged during Hurricane Irma; and

WHEREAS, the solicitation closes on July 13, 2018 and it is anticipated that the evaluation process will be concluded and the award confirmed by July 25, 2018; and

WHEREAS, field inspections will be conducted in order for the professional landscaping services staff to visit the recommended nursery(s) sites to inspect and select the tree materials that meet or exceed the quality standards listed in the solicitation; and

WHEREAS, due to the summer break in Commission meetings, it is necessary to request permission to proceed with the award in advance so that the initiation of the project can begin early in the month of August in order to complete the planting during the rainy season; and

WHEREAS, the solicitation will be awarded on a progressive basis based on price, tree quality and the quantities available from any given nursery; and

WHEREAS, the initial award will be made to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder and the trees and palms will be purchased from them until quantities and quality standards have been met. If necessary, the City will progress to the next lowest responsive, responsible bidder or bidders until the full amount of trees and palms have been satisfied; and

WHEREAS, the City's current landscape contractor will be responsible for installing the trees, watering and maintenance under the direction of City landscape services staff; and

WHEREAS, the Procurement Officer pursuant to Section 2-763 of the Procurement Code is recommending an award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s); 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 award the purchase of approximately one thousand trees and palms to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s) in an amount not to exceed the available budget, pursuant to Section 2-763 of the City's Procurement Code.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TENTH DAY OF JULY 2018.

(Moved by _____, Seconded by ____) (Passed 0/0 vote)

> RAUL VALDES-FAULI MAYOR

ATTEST:

WALTER FOEMAN CITY CLERK APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS CITY ATTORNEY