

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXTEND AND AMEND AN AGREEMENT WITH FAIRCHILD TROPICAL BOTANIC GARDEN, INC. TO CONTINUE PARTICIPATION IN THE MILLION ORCHID PROJECT, AS INITIALLY AUTHORIZED IN RESOLUTION 2014-52**

**WHEREAS**, in March of 2014 the City Commission passed Resolution 2014-52 authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Inc. to participate in the Million Orchid Project for a five year period; and

**WHEREAS**, in the original agreement the City was to provide approximately \$30,000 a year for five years, provide the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden with the use of a bucket truck and driver in exchange for the installation of approximately 50,000 native orchids a year in the City street trees, totaling 250,000 orchids during the term of the agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, due to various circumstances the installation of orchids did not begin until 2016, and approximately 43,140 orchids have been installed over the three years the project has been operating; and

**WHEREAS**, the City estimates it will take approximately 16 years at the current rates of installation to acquire the 250,000 orchids initially contemplated in the agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, to date the City has expended \$13,482 of the \$150,000 appropriated and budgeted in the 2014 agreement and resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the City requires no additional funding or appropriation in order to complete its financial consideration under the existing or amended agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the City wishes to extend and amend the original agreement with the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Inc. for a term of 10 years, with up to five (5) additional one (1) year renewals as needed to complete the installation of 250,000 orchids, amending the original terms to account for the fact that City staff will be working with the Fairchild to assist with labor for installations, but will not be providing a bucket truck and driver ; and extending the term for payment, leaving the not to exceed amount at \$150,000.

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

**SECTION 1.** That 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 the adoption hereof.

**SECTION 2.** The City Commission does hereby authorize the City Manager to extend and amend the original agreement with the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Inc. for a term of 10 years, with up to five (5) additional one (1) year renewals as needed to complete the installation of 250,000 orchids, amending the original terms to account for the fact that City staff will be working with the Fairchild to assist with labor for installations, but will not be providing a bucket truck and driver ; and extending the term for payment, leaving the not to exceed amount at \$150,000.

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

PASSES AND ADOPTED THIS TWELFTH DAY OF FEBRUARY A.D., 2019.

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RAUL VALDES-FAULI  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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BILLY Y. URQUIA  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
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MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS  
CITY ATTORNEY