## CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-219**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION RATIFYING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR A SUBAWARD OF CORONOAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ("CARES") ACT FEDERAL FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT YET TO BE DETERMINED.

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act was signed into law on March 27, 2020 and appropriated \$150 billion of direct federal funding for state and local governments to address unforeseen financial needs and risks created by the Novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19") public health emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, only state and local governments with more than 500,000 residents received direct federal funding through the Coronavirus Relief Fund; and

WHEREAS, in the State of Florida, twelve (12) localities received direct federal funds, but NO city in Florida (except the combined city/county government of Jacksonville /Duval County) received a direct allocation; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2020, Governor DeSantis announced the State of Florida's plan to disburse up to \$1.275 billion in CARES Act funds to counties with populations under 500,000 through the Florida Division of Emergency Management, and stated that all counties, including counties that already received direct payment from the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("Treasury"), should provide funds to municipalities located within their jurisdiction on a reimbursement basis for expenditures eligible under the CARES Act and related guidance; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County received nearly half a billion dollars (\$474,085,078.50) through the CARES Act; and

WHEREAS, the Treasury released a "Frequently Asked Questions" document pertaining to the Coronavirus Relief Fund ("CRF FAQ"), that clarifies that a county receiving CRF payments may transfer CRF funds to municipalities within its borders as long as funds transferred to municipalities are used for eligible expenditures; and

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2020 at a Special Meeting of the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners (the "BCC"), the BCC allocated a total not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000,000 of CARES Act funds to the municipalities in the County as follows: \$75,000,000 for reimbursement of FEMA local match eligible expenditures as well as CARES Act eligible governmental operations

expenditures that are not FEMA reimbursable, and \$25,000,000 for municipal programmatic proposals subject to approval in advance by the BCC; and

**WHEREAS**, the BCC resolved to treat all cities, large and small, equitably in their distribution of funds, however, the total subaward the City will be eligible for has not been defined; and

WHEREAS, the City has taken necessary and costly steps to mitigate and respond to the impact of the COVID-19 public health emergency and has incurred millions of dollars in unbudgeted, qualified expenditures; and

WHEREAS, in order to take advantage of the BCC's allocation as quickly as possible, the City executed the attached Interlocal Agreement with Miami-Dade County on August 10, 2020, and began submitting its expenditures to the County for reimbursement; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission now wishes to ratify the Interlocal Agreement for a subaward of CARES Act federal funds in an amount yet to be determined;

## 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.** The City Commission of Coral Gables hereby ratifies the Interlocal Agreement for a subaward of CARES Act federal funds between the City of Coral Gables and Miami-Dade County.

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

## PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SECOND DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D.,

2020.

(Moved: Lago/Seconded: Mena)

(Unanimous Voice Vote)

(Agenda Item: E-1)

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