

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA HEREBY RATIFYING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA AND THE SOUTHERN GROUP OF FLORIDA TO PROVIDE STATE LOBBYING SERVICES EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2026 FOR A FLAT FEE OF \$53,500.00, OF WHICH \$41,000.00 HAS BEEN PAID TO DATE FOR SERVICES ALREADY PROVIDED; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL OTHER NECESSARY RELATED DOCUMENTS BUDGET TRANSFERS AND/OR ADJUSTMENTS UPON CONSENT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Key West entered into a state lobbying agreement with The Southern Group of Florida to provide professional lobbying and legislative advocacy services on behalf of the City before the Florida Legislature and applicable state agencies. These services support the City's state legislative priorities and ongoing engagement with state officials and policymakers; and

WHEREAS, due to the continued need for state advocacy services and to ensure uninterrupted representation during the transition period, staff has negotiated a Second Amendment to extend the term of the existing agreement through January 31, 2026. The amendment allows the City to maintain continuity of services while longer-term procurement and contracting actions are completed, as necessary; and

WHEREAS, the original agreement with The Southern Group of Florida was procured in accordance with all applicable City procurement requirements. The proposed Second Amendment does not modify the scope of services, but solely extends the term of the agreement and confirms compensation for services rendered during the extension period; and

WHEREAS, the total consideration under the Second Amendment is a flat fee of \$53,500.00 to be paid from funds currently budgeted within General Fund Account No. 0011201-5123100, of which \$41,000.00 has been paid to date for services already performed. No additional services beyond those authorized under the existing agreement will be provided unless separately approved by the City; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the Mayor and City Commission ratify approval of the Second Amendment to the Agreement with The Southern Group of Florida and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute all other necessary related documents, budget transfers and/or adjustments, upon consent of the City Attorney;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: The City Commission hereby ratifies the Second Amendment to Agreement between the City of Key West, Florida and The Southern Group of Florida to provide state lobbying services for the City of Key West, Florida to extend the term through January 31, 2026 and provide for a flat fee of \$53,500.00, of which \$41,000.00 has been paid to date for services already performed.

Section 2: That the City Commission hereby authorizes the City Manager, or designee, to execute any necessary related documents, budget transfers and/or adjustments to be paid from General Fund Account No. 0011201-5123100, upon consent of the City Attorney.

Section 3: That this resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and the authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

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Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held
this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the
Commission on the _____ day of _____, 2026.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2026.

Mayor Danise Henriquez _____

Vice Mayor Donald "Donie" Lee _____

Commissioner Lissette Carey _____

Commissioner Aaron Castillo _____

Commissioner Monica Haskell _____

Commissioner Sam Kaufman _____

Commissioner Greg Veliz _____

DANISE HENRIQUEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KERI O'BRIEN, CITY CLERK