

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, RATIFYING AND APPROVING BUDGET TRANSFERS AND ADJUSTMENTS IN FY 2021-22 TOTALING \$210,000.00 FROM GENERAL FUND GENERAL RESERVES ACCOUNT TO CITY ATTORNEY PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (OUTSIDE COUNSEL) ACCOUNT TO PROVIDE FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE LEGAL REPRESENTATION SERVICES BY TRIPP SCOTT, PA RELATED TO THE CRUISE SHIP PORTS REFERENDUM PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-739(b) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, in Resolution 21-260 the City Commission authorized the City Attorney to negotiate a letter of representation with Tripp Scott Law Firm for legal services related to the cruise ship ports referendum; and

WHEREAS, the City issued Purchase Order #095437 in the amount of \$40,000.00 using funds from the City Manager's General Fund Contingency Account, beneath the purchasing threshold, to cover the initial cruise ship legal representation costs, however the attorney's first two invoices have exceeded those funds; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney has indicated that legal representation costs are estimated to be in the range of \$250,000.00; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to allocate funds from General Fund General Reserves to cover this substantial expense that was not anticipated in the City Attorney or General Fund budget for FY 21-22; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-739(b) of the Code of Ordinances requires City Commission approval of budget transfers and increases in excess of \$50,000.00; and

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

Section 1: That pursuant to section 2-739(b) of the Code of Ordinances, a budget transfer of \$210,000.00 from General Fund General Reserves Account 001-1900-519-9803 to City Attorney Professional Service account 001-1401-514-3100 for cruise ship referendum legal services is hereby ratified and approved.

Section 2: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on _____ day of _____, 2022.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2022.

Mayor Teri Johnston	_____
Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman	_____
Commissioner Gregory Davila	_____
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover	_____
Commissioner Clayton Lopez	_____
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	_____
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	_____

TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK