

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY ATTORNEY SCREENING COMMITTEE TO RETAIN OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO SERVE AS CITY ATTORNEY TO THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA FOR A MAXIMUM OF TWELVE (12) TO EIGHTEEN (18) MONTHS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the permanent position of City Attorney for the City of Key West, Florida has been vacant for several months; and

WHEREAS, a Screening Committee was created to review applications received for the position of City Attorney and make recommendations to the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney Screening Committee has received five applications for city attorney, one of which was withdrawn. None of the applicants has served exclusively as city attorney for any appreciable period of time; and

WHEREAS, after careful consideration, the Committee recommended the City contract with an outside law firm with an individual who has considerable experience as a city attorney on a month-to-month basis for a maximum period of twelve (12) to eighteen (18) months; and

WHEREAS, the Committee believes such an individual can stabilize the position of city attorney, while serving as a mentor to those currently in place in the office; and

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

Section 1: That the Commission appreciates the insight of
the members of the Screening Committee.

Section 2: That the Commission agrees with the
recommendation of the Committee and asks that they bring a
qualified candidate or candidates with proposals before the
Commission at its next meeting.

Section 3: That the Committee take whatever action it
deems necessary to accomplish the objectives of the City
Commission.

Section 4. 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.

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Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting
held this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the
Commission on _____ day of _____, 2025.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2025.

Mayor Danise Henriquez _____

Vice Mayor Lisette Carey _____

Commissioner Aaron Castillo _____

Commissioner Monica Haskell _____

Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover _____

Commissioner Sam Kaufman _____

Commissioner Donald "Donie" Lee _____

DANISE HENRIQUEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KERI O'BRIEN, CITY CLERK