

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY'S MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INCLUDE THE INSTALLATION OF FOUR (4) COCONUT PALM TREES ALONG NORTH ROOSEVELT BOULEVARD, KEY WEST, FLORIDA; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT AND ANY NECESSARY RELATED DOCUMENTS AND BUDGET TRANSFERS/ADJUSTMENTS, UPON THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, North Roosevelt Blvd was fully reconstructed in 2014 (407233-1), and coconut palms were included in the design along the waterside perimeter at the request of city leaders (Res 10-238); and

WHEREAS, the City of Key West assumed maintenance responsibility for the palms (Res 11-032) and the aesthetic preference was restated for the recent repaving project (Res 24-058); and

WHEREAS, as part of the 2026 repaving project (446011-1), Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) removed the bus pull-off bay west of Palm Ave to improve safety as identified in the FDOT Pedestrian Safety Study (250650-5-32-01); and

WHEREAS, although the safest option for sidewalk users is a guardrail, providing landscaping affords some separation and improves comfort for pedestrians and esthetic appeal for all roadway users; and

WHEREAS, FDOT has proposed to honor the previous City Commission's recommendation and infill the resulting concrete surface with four (4) coconut palms and flexible pavement to match the existing landscaping. For FDOT to proceed, the City would need to accept maintenance responsibility for the additional four (4) coconut palms; and

WHEREAS, procurement and installation of the four (4) coconut palms is anticipated to be completed by FDOT upon amending the existing maintenance agreement. The existing palms are currently maintained by the Community Services Department at an approximate cost of \$50.00/palm. As each palm is typically maintained four (4) times per year, the approximate total additional annual maintenance cost is \$800.00 to be paid from Account # 0011905 5191200 (Public Works Regular Salaries & Wages); and

WHEREAS, installation of the four (4) additional coconut palms will provide separation for pedestrians from the roadway, reduce crash risk and improve traffic safety along North Roosevelt Boulevard furthering the City's Strategic Planning Priority 1. *Infrastructure.*; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager's Office recommends the Mayor and Commission approve this resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend the City's existing maintenance agreement with FDOT to include the installation of the four (4) additional palms trees

along North Roosevelt Boulevard by FDOT and authorize the City's maintenance of the trees once installed; and

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

Section 1. That the City Commission hereby approves amending the City's existing maintenance agreement with FDOT to include the installation of four (4) additional palm trees along North Roosevelt Boulevard by FDOT and the City's maintenance of the trees once installed at an additional estimated annual maintenance cost of \$800.

Section 2. That the City Commission hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute the amendment to the maintenance agreement with FDOT and any necessary related documents and budget transfers/adjustments, upon the advice and consent of the City Attorney.

Section 3. 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.

** REMAINDER OF THIS PAGE INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK **

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