

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ROYAL LAND ENTERPRISES, INC., AN ENTITY ASSOCIATED WITH THE BANKRUPTCY ESTATE OF BERNARD C. SEIDLING, THROUGH ITS CHAPTER 7 TRUSTEE JAMES V. BLOCK, AS PROPERTY OWNER OF 1106 17TH STREET, PERMITTING A RELEASE OF LIEN UPON PAYMENT BY THE OWNERS OF THE AMOUNT OF [\$10,000.00 REQUESTED]; PROVIDING CONDITIONS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Key West holds a lien in the total amount of \$, against a property located at 1106 17<sup>th</sup> Street, owned by Royal Land Enterprises. An entity associated with the Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Estate of Bernard C Seidling, by virtue of code enforcement orders originating in Code Compliance Case number 09-27; and

WHEREAS, on January 4, 2021, compliance was achieved, and daily fines were discontinued, however, the fine amount had accumulated to Two million Five Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$2,528,250.00); and

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes Sec. 162.09(3) mandates that a certified copy of an order imposing a fine, or a fine plus repair costs, may be recorded in the public records and

thereafter shall constitute a lien against the land on which the violation exists and upon any other real or personal property owned by the violator; and

WHEREAS, the lien was filed with the Monroe County Clerk of Courts on November 6, 2009 in the Monroe County Official Records at Book 2439, Page 410; and

WHEREAS, on October 14, 2025, Code Compliance received a Lien Mitigation Request from Van Fischer on behalf of the property owner, offering \$10,000.00 to settle the case, and on March 1, 2022, the City Commission denied the owner's request; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2026 the City Commission considered the owner's request.

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

Section 1: That the City Manager, upon the advice and consent of the City Attorney, is authorized to enter into an agreement with Royal Land Enterprises, Inc, an entity associated with the Bankruptcy Estate of Bernard C. Seidling, through its Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Trustee James V. Block, as the owner of the property known as 1106 17<sup>th</sup> Street, to allow the City's release of lien

upon payment of a mitigated amount of [\$10,000.00 requested].

Section 2: That the property owner shall pay the reduced lien amount of [\$10,000.00 requested] [at of before closing of the sale of the property or within thirty (30) days of the date of this Resolution, whichever is sooner,] as a condition precedent to the release of the \$2,528,250.00 lien.

Section 3: That City staff is directed to provide the property owner/representative with a Release of Lien for recording with the Monroe County Clerk of Courts upon receipt of full payment of the lien mitigation amount.

Section 4: That the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute any necessary documents, upon consent of the City Attorney.

Section 5: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signatures of the presiding officer and Clerk of the Commission.

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 \_\_\_\_\_, 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	_____

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DANISE HENRIQUEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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KERI O'BRIEN, CITY CLERK