

RESOLUTION NO. 20-1710

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ESTABLISHING THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES SMALL BUSINESS GRANT PROGRAM, FOR ELIGIBLE BUSINESSES IN THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES IN RESPONSE TO ECONOMIC INJURIES CAUSED AS A RESULT OF THE CORONAVIRUS (“COVID-19”); AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE GRANT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (PIDERMANN)

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, given the novel, contagious, and potentially dangerous COVID-19 coronavirus, the Town declared a State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 coronavirus is a dangerous and highly contagious pathogen that can be spread through the air and physical contact, has infected over one hundred thousand persons and has caused over three thousand deaths throughout Miami-Dade County (the “County”); and

WHEREAS, in an effort to stop the spread of COVID-19, on March 17, 2020, the County issued order 03-20 which shut down non-essential small businesses throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, from March through September 2020, via a patchwork of emergency orders, the County modulated the closures of salons, restaurants, barbershops, schools and other small businesses, which economically harmed many Town small businesses; and

WHEREAS, during the April, June, July and August Town Council meetings, the Town Council deliberated and directed its staff and attorneys, to research and recommend practical and legal solutions that could provide immediate relief to affected small businesses; and

WHEREAS, on November 2, 2020, the County awarded the Town, Five Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand, Three Hundred Seventy Dollars and 00/100 (\$552,370.00) of Corona Relief Fund monies, for use in any program related to COVID-19 relief; and

WHEREAS, aligned with the Town Council's goal of providing relief to small businesses, the Town Manager proposes the creation of the "Town of Miami Lakes Small Business Grant Program," in substantially the same form as attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the program will provide Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$500,000.00), that will be distributed in amounts not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$10,000.00) per applicant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Creation of the Town of Miami Lakes Small Business Grant Program. The Town Council authorizes the creation of the Town of Miami Lakes Small Business Grant Program in substantially the same format as described in Exhibit "A."

Section 3. Authorization of Town Officials. The Town Manager and/or his designee are authorized to take all steps necessary to create the Town of Miami Lakes Small Business Grant Program, to execute any document necessary to effectuate and implement the grant in substantially the same format as described in Exhibit "A."

Section 4. Authorization of Fund Expenditure. The Town Manager is hereby authorized to expend budgeted funds in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and 00/100 \$500,000.00 to fund small business grants as described in Exhibit “A,” and to use expend up to Fifty Two Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Dollars and 00/100 (\$52,370.00) for administrative costs associated with the grant.

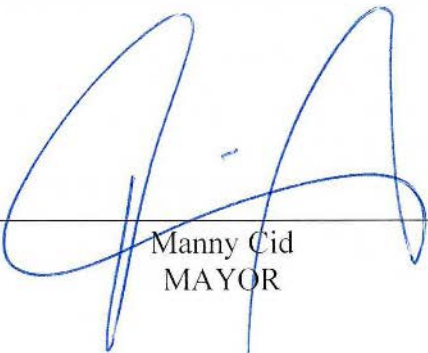
Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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Passed and adopted this 17th day of November 2020.

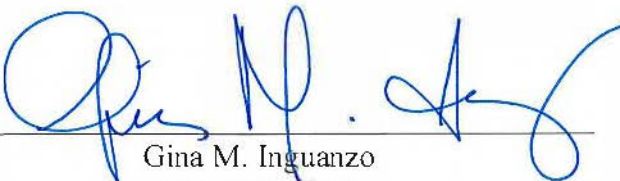
The foregoing resolution was offered by Councilmember Rodriguez who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alvarez and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Manny Cid	yes
Vice Mayor Luis E. Collazo	yes
Councilmember Carlos ●. Alvarez	yes
Councilmember Josh Dieguez	yes
Councilmember Tony Fernandez	yes
Councilmember Jeffrey Rodriguez	yes
Councilmember Marilyn Ruano	yes




Manny Cid
MAYOR

Attest:



Gina M. Inguanzo
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:



Raul Gastesi, Jr.
Gastesi, Lopez, & Mestre P.A.
TOWN ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT A
“TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES
SMALL BUSINESS GRANT PROGRAM”