MINUTES Attorney-Client Executive Session February 22, 2023 12:00 P.M. 6601 Main Street Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

1. Call to Order

Councilmember Marilyn Ruano called the meeting to order at 12:22 pm

2. Roll Call

The Town Clerk, Gina M. Inguanzo called the roll with the following Councilmembers being physically present: Councilmember Josh Dieguez, Councilmember Tony Fernandez, Councilmember Ray Garcia and Councilmember Marilyn Ruano. Councilmember Collazo and Vice Mayor Carlos Alvarez participated via zoom.

Present as well were Town Manager, Ed Pidermann, Town Attorney, Raul Gastesi, Deputy Town Attorney, Lorenzo Cobiella, Town Clerk Gina M. Inguanzo and Deputy Town Clerk, Victoria Martinez.

The Certified Court Reporter was not present in Council Chambers during the open session. The Certified Court Reporter was present at the Community Conference Room, during the private Executive Attorney-Client Session.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Town Council led by Councilmember Dieguez led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Councilmember Ruano read into the record the following section: I would like to announce that we are about to conduct an attorney client session pursuant to Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes, to discuss strategy related to litigation expenditures and/or settlement negotiations in the following case:

1. TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES V. TSC INVESTMENTS, INC., EMINENT DOMAIN ACTION., 2021 006842 CA 01

Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes provides an exemption from the public meetings law in order to allow the Town Council to conduct a closed session to discuss strategy related to litigation expenditures and/or settlement negotiations in a pending lawsuit. This is what the Town Council will be doing today. This session will be recorded by a court reporter. The transcript will be filed with the Town Clerk and it will remain sealed until the conclusion of the litigation. When the litigation has concluded, the transcript becomes

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public record and can be requested by anyone. This attorney-client session is estimated to last one hour. The names of those individuals attending today's attorney-client session are:

- 1. Vice Mayor Carlos O. Alvarez and Town Councilmembers Luis E. Collazo are attending via zoom;
- 2. Councilmember Josh Dieguez, Tony Fernandez, Ray Garcia and Marilyn Ruano,
- 3. Town Manager Edward Pidermann;
- 4. Town Attorneys Raul Gastesi, Jr., Esq., Raul Lopez, Esq., and Lorenzo Cobiella, Esq., from Gastesi, Lopez and Mestre, PLLC.,
- 5. Attorney Joan Carlos Wizel;
- 6. A Certified Court Reporter

The individuals I have just named will now leave Council Chambers and go to the Community Conference Room, to conduct the private Executive Attorney-Client Session. Once the private attorney-client session is done, they will return to the Council Chambers and the Town Council will adjourn.

The Town Council convened in the Council Chambers in open session once again and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:59pm.

Approved this 11th day of April 2023. C Manny Cid, Mayor Attest: Gina M. Inguanzo, Town Clerk