

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-006

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, RESPECTFULLY URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A NEW MOBILE COMMAND VEHICLE FOR THE CITY IN AN AMOUNT OF \$384,000 THOUSAND DOLLARS, REPRESENTING 80% OF THE COSTS OF THE VEHICLE, TO WHICH THE CITY WILL MATCH FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO NO LESS THAN 20% OF THE TOTAL COST OF THE VEHICLE.

WHEREAS, the City of Hialeah Police Department needs to be fully equipped with necessary tools in order to respond quickly and effectively to any situation, including but limited to, hostage situations to protect life and property and take whatever action may be necessary in the most professional manner possible; and

WHEREAS, the Police Mobile Command Vehicle is a dual-purpose command vehicle that will serve as a command center for the Police Department's hostage negotiators and incident commanders at any given time; and

WHEREAS, the command vehicle has technology where the hostage negotiator will be able to receive intelligence in real-time using state-of-the art computer equipment and will also serve as a sound-proof controlled environment for the negotiator to speak to the hostage taker(s) who likely have barricaded themselves and will be equipped with technology to conduct surveillance and assist in any search and rescue operations; and

WHEREAS, commanders on scene will be able to receive live feeds and instant intelligence via drones and pole cameras on the truck to facilitate decision making; and

WHEREAS, the command vehicle will also serve as a mobile command center during natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, the command vehicle will serve as a deterrent to augment the Police Department's Holiday Task Force ensuring public safety, and also serving as an additional police substation during events; and

WHEREAS, the command vehicle will be utilized as well during special events; and

WHEREAS, the command vehicle can be utilized to assist other law enforcement agencies when deemed necessary.

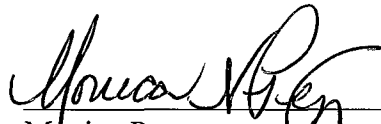
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1: The Florida Legislature is hereby respectfully urged to appropriate funds to fund the cost of the vehicle in an amount of \$384,000, representing 80% of the costs of the vehicle, to which the City will match funding in an amount equal to no less than 20% of the total costs of the vehicle.

Section 2: The City of Hialeah, Florida hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee on behalf of the City to prepare, execute and submit all necessary applications, certifications and documents in furtherance of this funding or appropriations request.

Section 3: The City Clerk is authorized to send a copy of this Resolution as is necessary to accomplish the goal of obtaining funding such other agencies or persons as may be deemed necessary.

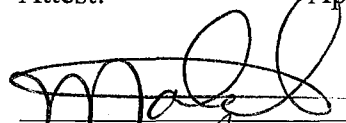
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24 day of January, 2023.



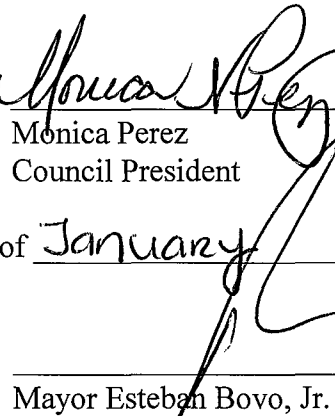
Monica Perez
Council President

Attest:

Approved on this 27 day of January, 2023.

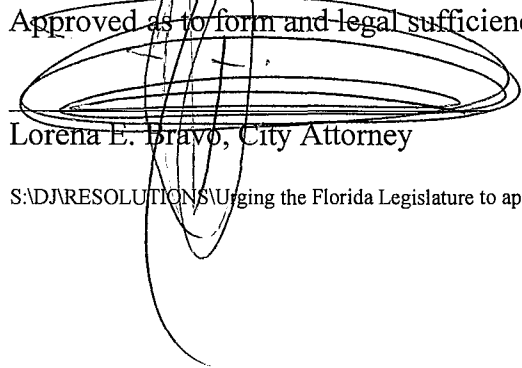


Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk



Mayor Esteban Bovo, Jr.

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:



Lorena E. Bravo, City Attorney

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Resolution was adopted by 6-0-1 vote with Council Members Calvo, Casáls-Muñoz, Garcia-Roves, Perez, Rodriguez, and Zogby voting "Yes" and with Council Member Tundidor absent.