

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE TOTALING AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$13,000.00 FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND - *FEDERAL*, TO COVER THE COST OF TUITION FOR THE TRAINING OF POLICE CANINES (K-9) AND THEIR HANDLERS, FROM METRO DADE K-9 SERVICES, INC., AND WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING AS IT IS ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE CITY, UPON SUCH COSTS HAVING BEEN APPROVED BY THE CHIEF OF POLICE.

**WHEREAS**, one of the Hialeah Police Department's responsibilities is targeting crimes involving illegal drugs in the City of Hialeah; and

**WHEREAS**, an integral weapon in the fight against illegal drugs is the police narcotic canine as it is critical to the Department's illegal drug detection and subject apprehension mission; and

**WHEREAS**, the Police Department wishes to send canines and their handlers to a narcotics handler's training course which will emphasize areas such as narcotic and contraband detection, basic and advanced obedience, record keeping and report writing, tactical building searches, proper decoy techniques, felony vehicle stops, and high risk apprehensions in order to continue to meet public safety demands; and

**WHEREAS**, industry standards recommend proficiency for K9s and their handlers in various disciplines and these proficiencies are maintained through training; and

**WHEREAS**, the Police Department requests that competitive bidding be waived because it would be more advantageous to the City as Metro-Dade K-9 Services, Inc. is recognized by state and federal courts as the preeminent trainer of police narcotic canines; and

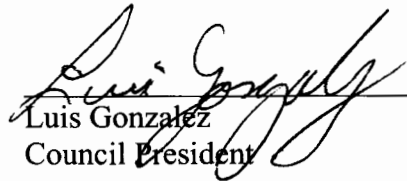
**WHEREAS**, the funds to cover these necessary and legitimate expenses are available in the Law Enforcement Trust Fund - *Federal*; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police has recommended adoption of this resolution and determined that the proposed expenditure complies with the *Guide to Equitable Sharing*.

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

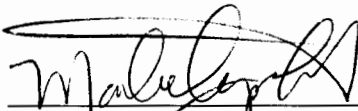
**Section 1.** The Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah, Florida, approve the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$13,000.00 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund - *Federal*, to cover the costs of tuition for police canines and their handlers from Metro-Dade K-9 Services, Inc., and waiving competitive bidding as it is advantageous to the City, upon such costs having been approved by the Chief of Police.

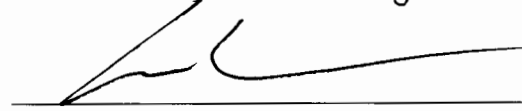
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14 day of February, 2017.

  
Luis Gonzalez  
Council President

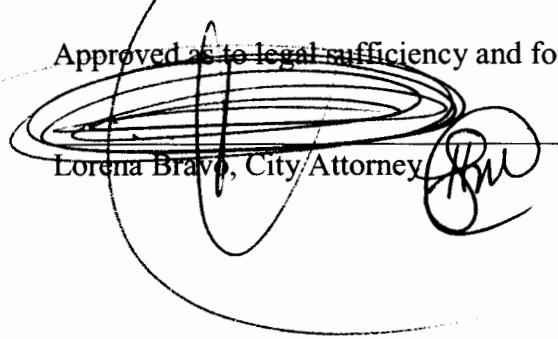
Attest:

Approved on the 22 day of February, 2017.

  
Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk

  
Mayor Carlos Hernandez

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form:

  
Lorena Bravo, City Attorney

Resolution was adopted by a (6-0-1) vote with Councilmembers, Caragol, Cue-Fuente, Hernandez, Lozano, Gonzalez and Casals-Muñoz voting "Yes". Councilmember Garcia-Martinez absent.