St. Petersburg City Council Meeting of March 10, 2022

Consent Agenda

TO: The Honorable Gina Driscoll, Chair, and Members of City Council

SUBJECT: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to accept a grant from the National League of Cities in the amount of \$10,000 for the City's NLC SCEI Economic Equity Initiative; approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$10,000 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001), resulting from these grant revenues, to the Community Services Department, Administration Division (083-1081), NLC SCEI Project (TBD); authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the grant; and providing an effective date.

BACKGROUND: In past years the City of St. Petersburg has been awarded several grants from the National League of Cities for financial inclusion efforts (Billing and Collections for LIFT-UP and Urban Affairs/Community Services for FISCL – financial inclusion systems and city leadership).

The COVID-19 pandemic, economic decline and systemic racial injustice have all had a significant impact in cities across the South over the past year. To assist communities, the National League of Cities launched a new initiative, Southern Cities Economic Inclusion. The Southern Cities Economic Inclusion (SCEI) initiative builds the capacity of cities to implement economic inclusion strategies that close racial, economic equity gaps, and expand economic opportunities for residents and businesses of color. SCEI is a partnership made possible with support from and collaboration with the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, the Annie E. Casey Foundation, and the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.

Since the last NLC grant, various efforts (community collaborations such as One Community and City's creation and adoption of the South CRA) have occurred and activities are in process. The NLC Southern Cities award will provide the opportunity and NLC technical assistance to review and assess our processes to identify intentional, impactful, potential equitable economic opportunities for all.

RECOMMENDATION: Administration recommends that Council approve the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to accept a grant from the National League of Cities in the amount of \$10,000 for the City's NLC SCEI Economic Equity Initiative; approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$10,000 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001), resulting from these grant revenues, to the Community Services Department, Administration Division (083-1081), NLC SCEI Project (TBD); authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the grant; and providing an effective date.

COST/FUNDING/ASSESSMENT INFORMATION: Revenue in the amount of \$10,000 will be received from the National League of Cities in support of the City's NLC SCEI economic equity efforts and deposited into the General Fund. Funds will be available after the approval of a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$10,000 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001), resulting from these additional grant revenues, to the Community Services Department, Administration Division (083-1081), NLC SCEI Project (TBD).

APPROVALS:

Administration:

Budget and Management:

RESOLUTION NO. ____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 FOR THE CITY'S NLC SCEI ECONOMIC EQUITY INITIATIVE; APPROVING A **SUPPLEMENTAL** APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 **FROM** THE **INCREASE** IN THE UNAPPROPRIATED **BALANCE** THE OF GENERAL FUND (0001), RESULTING FROM THESE **GRANT** REVENUES, TO THE **COMMUNITY** DEPARTMENT, SERVICES ADMINISTRATION DIVISION (083-1081), NLC SCEI PROJECT (TBD); **AUTHORIZING THE** MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE GRANT: AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The City of St. Petersburg ("City") wants to be known as a leader in economic equity; and

WHEREAS, one of Mayor Ken Welch's priorities is economic equity; and

WHEREAS, the City applied for and received a planning grant in the amount of \$10,000 from the National League of Cities Southern Cities Economic Inclusion Initiative (NLC SCEI) for economic equity efforts; and

WHEREAS, a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$10,000 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001), resulting from these grant revenues, to the Community Services Department, Administration Division (083-1081), NLC SCEI Project (TBD) is required.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida, that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to accept a grant from the National League of Cities in the amount of \$10,000 for the City's NLC SCEI Economic Equity Initiative.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby approved from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001), resulting from these grant revenues, the following supplemental appropriation for FY22:

<u>General Fund (0001)</u> Community Services Department, Administration

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the grant.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Approvals:

Legal: /s/ Devon E. Haggitt

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