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

Subject: A Resolution approving the interlocal agreement between the City of St. Petersburg, Florida and Pinellas County, Florida for the city to participate in the process with Inner Circle Sport, LLC and provide a funding amount not to exceed $110,000 to the County on a reimbursement basis to share in costs for professional services to be provided by Inner Circle; authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute the interlocal agreement; authorizing the City Attorney’s Office to make non-substantive changes to the interlocal agreement; approving a transfer in the amount of $110,000 from the balance of the General Fund Contingency (0001), to the Mayor’s Office Department, Mayor’s Office Division (020-1005); and providing an effective date.

Explanation: The City and the County previously entered into an interlocal agreement to share the costs associated with a contract between Inner Circle Sport, LLC ("Inner Circle"), a qualified firm to assist in the ongoing negotiations with the Tampa Bay Rays. Both the City and the County understand the importance of the Tampa Bay Rays to the city and the county and thus desire to enter into a new interlocal agreement for the City to participate in the process with Inner Circle and provide funding in an amount not to exceed $110,000 to the County on a reimbursement basis to share in costs for the professional services to be provided by Inner Circle.

Cost/Funding/Assessment Information: Funding will be available after a transfer in the amount of $110,000 from the balance of the General Fund Contingency (0001), to the Mayor’s Office Department, Mayor’s Office Division (020-1005). Following this transfer the remaining balance of the General Fund Contingency will be $945,378.

BUDGET: ADMINISTRATION:

Attachments: Resolution
RESOLUTION NO. 2022 -

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA (“CITY”) AND PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA (“COUNTY”) FOR THE CITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCESS WITH INNER CIRCLE SPORT, LLC (“INNER CIRCLE”) AND PROVIDE FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $110,000 TO THE COUNTY ON A REIMBURSEMENT BASIS TO SHARE IN COSTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY INNER CIRCLE (“INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT”); AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE TO MAKE NON-SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT; APPROVING A TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF $110,000 FROM THE BALANCE OF THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY (0001), TO THE MAYOR’S OFFICE DEPARTMENT, MAYOR’S OFFICE DIVISION (020-1005); AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of St. Petersburg, Florida (“City”) and Tampa Bay Rays Baseball, Ltd., (“Rays”) entered into an Agreement for the Use, Management and Operation of the Domed Stadium in St. Petersburg Including the Provision of Major League Baseball on April 28, 1995 (such agreement, as it has been amended, “Use Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Use Agreement the Rays are required to play all homes at the Dome (as defined in the Use Agreement) through the end of the Major League Baseball (“MLB”) season occurring in 2027; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to retain the Rays in St. Petersburg beyond the term of the Use Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City and Pinellas County, Florida (“County”) recognize that the benefits generated by the Rays for the City and County are unique and diverse, affecting more than just economic interests; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County previously entered into an interlocal agreement to share the costs associated with a contract between Inner Circle Sport, LLC (“Inner Circle”), a qualified firm to assist in the ongoing negotiations with a MLB franchise, and the City; and

WHEREAS, the previous interlocal agreement between the City and the County expired on December 31, 2021; and
WHEREAS, subsequently the County entered into a professional services agreement (County contract number 22-0412-A) with Inner Circle on March 30, 2022 (“Professional Services Agreement”) for Inner Circle to provide to the County negotiation strategies related to the development of a MLB stadium, other professional services related to the Rays, expertise on all stadium funding tools available to the County, and other services identified in the Professional Services Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County desire to enter into an interlocal agreement for the City to participate in the process with Inner Circle and provide funding in an amount not to exceed $110,000 to the County on a reimbursement basis to share in costs for the professional services to be provided by Inner Circle; and

WHEREAS, funding will be available after a transfer in the amount of $110,000 from the balance of the General Fund Contingency (0001), to the Mayor’s Office Department, Mayor’s Office Division (020-1005); and

WHEREAS, after the above transfer the remaining balance of the General Fund Contingency will be $945,378.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida, that the Interlocal Agreement between the City of St. Petersburg, Florida (“City”) and Pinellas County, Florida (“County”) for the City to participate in the process with Inner Circle Sport, LLC (“Inner Circle”) and provide funding in an amount not to exceed $110,000 to the County on a reimbursement basis to share in costs for professional services to be provided by Inner Circle (“Interlocal Agreement”) is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute the Interlocal Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Attorney’s Office is authorized to make non-substantive changes to the Interlocal Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby approved from the balance of the General Fund Contingency (0001), the following transfer for FY 2022:

| General Fund Contingency (0001) | Mayor’s Office Department, Mayor’s Office Division (020-1005) | $110,000 |

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

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DEPARTMENT:  
Thomas Greene

BUDGET:  
Makofsky
The following page(s) contain the backup material for Agenda Item: Authorizing the Mayor, or his designee, to execute a License Agreement with Paul and Carol Wieczorek to allow for a dock and related improvements over a portion of City-owned submerged land within Placido Bayou, for a term of thirty-six (36) months, at an aggregate fee of One Hundred Fifty Dollars ($150.00) for the entire term. Requires affirmative vote of at least six (6) members of City Council. Please scroll down to view the backup material.