

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021 2835**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO KCE STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS PC AND RELATED VENDORS FOR CONTRACT TASK 2 ENGINEERING ANALYSIS TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF THE CHAMPLAIN TOWERS SOUTH (CTS) BUILDING COLLAPSE AND DESTRUCTIVE TESTING NOT TO EXCEED THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$750,000.00; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, in the early morning hours of June 24, 2021, the residential condominium building Champlain Towers South Condominium located at 8777 Collins Avenue in the Town of Surfside (“Town”) experienced an unprecedented major structural collapse of a substantial portion of the building (“CTS Building Collapse”); and

**WHEREAS**, on June 24, 2021, the Governor of Florida issued Executive Order Number 21-148 declaring a State of Emergency in Miami-Dade County due to the CTS Building Collapse in order to assist in the response and recovery of the CTS Building Collapse and the development of mitigation plans necessary to address hazards posed by the CTS Building Collapse; and

**WHEREAS**, similarly, on June 24, 2021, the Mayor of Miami-Dade County (“County”) issued a Declaration of Local State of Emergency in connection with the CTS Building Collapse in order to assist in the search and rescue operation in the Town, with subsequent extensions and emergency orders issued; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 25, 2021, in Resolution No. 2021-2802, the Town Commission, in accordance with Article VIII, “Emergency Management Procedures,” of Chapter 2 of the Town Code of Ordinances and the Florida Emergency Management Act, declared a local state of

emergency due to the threats posed and response needed in connection with the CTS Building Collapse; and

**WHEREAS**, under the Declared State of Emergency pursuant to Resolution N0. 2021-2802, the Town engaged the world-renowned structural engineering firm, KCE Structural Engineers PC (“KCE Structural”), in the aftermath of the CTS Building Collapse to perform engineering support and analysis services to support the search and rescue efforts and protect the public health safety and welfare of remaining structures; and

**WHEREAS**, at the August 10, 2021 Commission meeting, the Town Commission approved the expenditure of \$750,000.00 to KCE Structural for contract Task 2 for modeling services including with non-invasive testing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Administration is seeking authorization to expend an amount not to exceed an additional \$750,000.00 for contract Task 2 engineering analysis to determine the cause of the Champlain Towers South (CTS) building collapse and destructive testing services, including sampling and testing of on-site and off-site materials (“Services”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Commission finds that this Resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the Town.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Recitals.** Each of the above-stated recitals are hereby adopted, confirmed, and incorporated herein.

**Section 2. Approving and Authorizing Expenditure of Funds to KCE Structural.**  
The Town Commission approves and authorizes the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$750,000.00 to KCE Structural and related vendors for the Services.

**Section 3. Implementation.** The Town Manager and Town Administration are authorized and directed to take any and all action necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution.

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021.

Motion By: Vice Mayor Paul

Second By: Commissioner Kesl

**FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION:**


Commissioner Charles Kesl Yes

Commissioner Eliana R. Salzhauer Yes

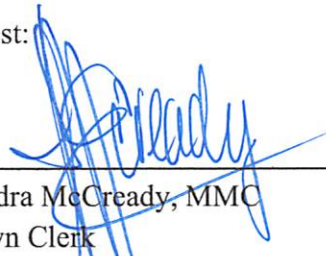
Commissioner Nelly Velasquez No

Vice Mayor Tina Paul Yes

Mayor Charles W. Burkett Yes

  
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Charles W. Burkett, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Sandra McCready, MMC  
Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency:

  
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Weiss Serota Hellman Cole & Bierman, P.L.  
Town Attorney