RESOLUTION No. 11 - 10

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF AKERMAN SENTERFITT AND QUANTUM RESULTS, INC. AS THE LOBBYISTS FOR THE CITY OF DORAL; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH AKERMAN SENTERFITT AND QUANTUM RESULTS, INC. FOR STATE AND LOCAL LOBBYING SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEED \$45,000.00 EACH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Doral seeks to protect and represent its interests with the Florida State Government and Local Government; and

WHEREAS, City Staff has determined it to be in the best interest of the City to reappoint the Akerman Senterfitt law firm and Quantum Results, Inc. as lobbyists for the City of Doral; and

WHEREAS, Staff respectfully recommends that the City Council of the City of Doral authorizes the City Manager to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Akerman Senterfitt and Quantum Results, Inc. for state and local lobbying services in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.00 each.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

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Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Vice Mayor DiPietro who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Rodriguez and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez	Yes
Vice Mayor Michael DiPietro	Yes
Councilman Luigi Boria	Yes
Councilman Pete Cabrera	Yes
Councilwoman Ana Maria Rodriguez	Yes

PASSED and ADOPTED this 12th day of January, 2011.

JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BARBARA HERRERA CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JIMMY MORALES, ESQ., CITY ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT "A"

LEGISLATIVE CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN AKERMAN SENTERFITT AND THE CITY OF DORAL FOR STATE AND LOCAL LOBBYING SERVICES

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and:

AKERMAN SENTERFITT.
One Southeast Third Avenue, 25th Floor
Miami, Florida 33131-1714
(hereinafter referred to as "CONSULTANT")

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WITH RESPECT TO THE REQUIRED COVERAGE AND THE OPERATIONS OF THE CONSULTANT UNDER THE CONTRACT. The certificates of insurance shall not only name the types of policies provided, but shall also specifically refer to this Agreement and shall state that such insurance is as required by Section 10 and its subpart of this Agreement. CONSULTANT shall not commence work under this Agreement until after CONSULTANT have obtained all of the minimum insurance herein described and the policies of such insurance detailing the provisions of coverage have been received and approved by CITY. CONSULTANT shall not permit any subcontractor to begin work until after similar minimum insurance to cover subcontractor has been obtained and approved. In the event the insurance certificate provided indicates that the insurance shall terminate and lapse during the term of this Agreement, then in that event, CONSULTANT shall furnish, at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to expiration of the date of such insurance, a renewed certificate of insurance as proof that equal and like coverage and extension thereunder is in effect. CONSULTANT shall not continue to perform the services required by this Agreement unless all required insurance remains in full force and effect.

- 10.03 Insurance Companies selected must be acceptable to the CITY. All of the policies of insurance so required to be purchased and maintained shall contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded shall not be canceled, materially changed or renewal refused until at least thirty (30) calendar days written notice has been given to CITY by certified mail.
- 10.04 The required insurance coverage shall be issued by an insurance company authorized and licensed to do business in the State of Florida, with the following minimum rating of B+ to A+, in accordance with the latest edition of A.M. Best's Insurance Guide.
- 10.05 All required insurance policies shall preclude any underwriter's rights of recovery or subrogation against CITY with the express intention of the parties being that the required insurance coverage protects both parties as the primary coverage for any and all losses covered by the above described insurance.
- 10.06 The CONSULTANT shall ensure that any company issuing insurance to cover the requirements contained in this Agreement agrees that it shall have no recourse against CITY for payment or assessments in any form on any policy of insurance.
- 10.07 The clauses "Other Insurance Provisions and "Insurers Duties in the Event of an Occurrence, Claim or Suit," as they appear in any policy of insurance in which CITY is named as an additional named insured, shall not apply to CITY. CITY shall provide written notice of occurrence within fifteen (15) working days of CITY's actual notice of such an event.
- 10.08 The CONSULTANT shall not commence performance of their obligations under this Agreement until after they have obtained all of the minimum insurance herein described and the same has been approved.
- 10.09 The CONSULTANT agrees to perform the work under the Agreement as an independent contractor, and not as a sub-contractor, agent or employee of CITY.

- 10.10 CONSULTANT shall require each of their subcontractors of any tier to maintain the insurance required herein for each category, and CONSULTANT shall provide verification thereof to CITY upon request of CITY.
- 10.11 Violation of the terms of this paragraph and its subpart shall constitute a breach of the Agreement and CITY, at its sole discretion, may cancel the Agreement and all rights, title and interest of the CONSULTANT shall thereupon cease and terminate.

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In the event the CONSULTANT shall default in any of the terms, obligations, restrictions or conditions of the Agreement, the CITY shall give the CONSULTANT written notice by certified mail of the default and that such default shall be corrected or actions taken to correct such default shall be commenced within three (3) calendar days thereof. In the event the CONSULTANT have failed to correct the condition(s) of the default or the default is not remedied to the satisfaction and approval of the CITY, the CITY shall have all legal remedies available to it, including, but not limited to, termination of this Agreement; in which case, the CONSULTANT shall be liable for all reprocurement costs and any and all damages permitted by law arising from the default and breach of this Agreement.

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CONSULTANT shall secure and pay for all permits and governmental fees, licenses, lobbying authorization/certification and charges necessary for the proper execution and completion of the work.

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CONSULTANT agrees to pay all applicable sales, consumer use and other similar taxes required by law.

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CITY reserves the right to audit the records of CONSULTANT, as they apply to CITY, at any time during the performance and term of the Agreement and for a period of three (3) years after completion and acceptance by CITY. If required by CITY, CONSULTANT agrees to submit to an audit by an independent certified public accountant selected by CITY. CONSULTANT shall allow CITY to inspect, examine and review the records of CONSULTANT at any and all times during normal business hours during the term of the Agreement.

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the day and year first above written.

ATTEST:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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- 8.01 CONSULTANT warrants to CITY that the services performed hereunder shall be performed in a professional manner, and that such services shall be of the highest quality.
- 8.02 CONSULTANT warrants to CITY that they shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and orders in carrying out their responsibilities under this Agreement.
- 8.03 CONSULTANT warrants to CITY that they are not insolvent, they are not in bankruptcy proceedings or receivership, nor are they engaged in or threatened with any litigation or other legal or administrative proceedings or investigations of any kind which would have an adverse effect on their ability to perform their obligations under this Agreement.

8.04 No warranty, express or implied, may be modified, excluded or disclaimed in any way by CONSULTANT. All warranties shall remain in full force and effect subsequent to the provision of all specified services and/or the duration of this Agreement.

Section 9. INDEMNIFICATION:

- 9.01 <u>GENERAL INDEMNIFICATION</u>: CONSULTANT shall indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless the CITY, its officers, agents and employees, from any and all claims, damages, losses, liabilities and expenses direct, indirect or consequential, arising out of or alleged to have arisen out of or in consequence of the operations of the CONSULTANT or their subcontractors, agents, officers, servants, independent contractors or employees pursuant to this Agreement, specifically including but not limited to those caused by or arising out of any act, omission, default or negligence of the CONSULTANT in the provision of the services under this Agreement.
- 9.02 CONSULTANT shall pay all claims, losses, liens, fines, settlements or judgments of any nature whatsoever in connection with the foregoing indemnifications including, but not limited to reasonable attorney's fees and court and arbitration costs. These indemnifications shall survive the term of this Agreement.
- 9.03 CONSULTANT shall defend all actions in the name of CITY when applicable, however, CITY reserves the right to select their own legal counsel to conduct any defense in any such proceeding and all costs and fees associated therewith shall be the responsibility of CONSULTANT under this indemnification agreement. Nothing contained herein is intended nor shall be construed to waive CITY'S rights and immunities under the common law or Florida Statutes 768.28 as amended from time to time.

Section 10. INSURANCE:

- 10.01 CONSULTANT shall procure and maintain at their own expense and keep in effect during the full term of the Agreement a policy or policies of insurance which must include the following coverages and minimum limits of liability:
 - (1) <u>Professional Liability and/or Errors and Omissions Insurance</u> in an amount not less than One Million and no/100 Dollars (\$1,000,000.00).
 - (2) Coverage shall specifically include the following, with minimum limits:
 - a. Independent Contractors;
 - b. Broad Form Contractual Coverage applicable to the Agreement and specifically confirming the indemnification and hold harmless agreement contained in Section 9 of this Agreement.
- 10.02 AT THE TIME OF EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT, THE CONSULTANT SHALL SUBMIT CERTIFICATE(S) OF INSURANCE EVIDENCING THE REQUIRED COVERAGES AND SPECIFICALLY PROVIDING THAT THE CITY OF DORAL IS AN ADDITIONAL NAMED INSURED OR ADDITIONAL INSURED

WITH RESPECT TO THE REQUIRED COVERAGE AND THE OPERATIONS OF THE CONSULTANT UNDER THE CONTRACT. The certificates of insurance shall not only name the types of policies provided, but shall also specifically refer to this Agreement and shall state that such insurance is as required by Section 10 and its subpart of this Agreement. CONSULTANT shall not commence work under this Agreement until after CONSULTANT have obtained all of the minimum insurance herein described and the policies of such insurance detailing the provisions of coverage have been received and approved by CITY. CONSULTANT shall not permit any subcontractor to begin work until after similar minimum insurance to cover subcontractor has been obtained and approved. In the event the insurance certificate provided indicates that the insurance shall terminate and lapse during the term of this Agreement, then in that event, CONSULTANT shall furnish, at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to expiration of the date of such insurance, a renewed certificate of insurance as proof that equal and like coverage and extension thereunder is in effect. CONSULTANT shall not continue to perform the services required by this Agreement unless all required insurance remains in full force and effect.

- 10.03 Insurance Companies selected must be acceptable to the CITY. All of the policies of insurance so required to be purchased and maintained shall contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded shall not be canceled, materially changed or renewal refused until at least thirty (30) calendar days written notice has been given to CITY by certified mail.
- 10.04 The required insurance coverage shall be issued by an insurance company authorized and licensed to do business in the State of Florida, with the following minimum rating of B+ to A+, in accordance with the latest edition of A.M. Best's Insurance Guide.
- 10.05 All required insurance policies shall preclude any underwriter's rights of recovery or subrogation against CITY with the express intention of the parties being that the required insurance coverage protects both parties as the primary coverage for any and all losses covered by the above described insurance.
- 10.06 The CONSULTANT shall ensure that any company issuing insurance to cover the requirements contained in this Agreement agrees that it shall have no recourse against CITY for payment or assessments in any form on any policy of insurance.
- 10.07 The clauses "Other Insurance Provisions and "Insurers Duties in the Event of an Occurrence, Claim or Suit," as they appear in any policy of insurance in which CITY is named as an additional named insured, shall not apply to CITY. CITY shall provide written notice of occurrence within fifteen (15) working days of CITY's actual notice of such an event.
- 10.08 The CONSULTANT shall not commence performance of their obligations under this Agreement until after they have obtained all of the minimum insurance herein described and the same has been approved.
- 10.09 The CONSULTANT agrees to perform the work under the Agreement as an independent contractor, and not as a sub-contractor, agent or employee of CITY.

- 10.10 CONSULTANT shall require each of their subcontractors of any tier to maintain the insurance required herein for each category, and CONSULTANT shall provide verification thereof to CITY upon request of CITY.
- 10.11 Violation of the terms of this paragraph and its subpart shall constitute a breach of the Agreement and CITY, at its sole discretion, may cancel the Agreement and all rights, title and interest of the CONSULTANT shall thereupon cease and terminate.

Section 11. <u>DEFAULT</u>:

In the event the CONSULTANT shall default in any of the terms, obligations, restrictions or conditions of the Agreement, the CITY shall give the CONSULTANT written notice by certified mail of the default and that such default shall be corrected or actions taken to correct such default shall be commenced within three (3) calendar days thereof. In the event the CONSULTANT have failed to correct the condition(s) of the default or the default is not remedied to the satisfaction and approval of the CITY, the CITY shall have all legal remedies available to it, including, but not limited to, termination of this Agreement; in which case, the CONSULTANT shall be liable for all reprocurement costs and any and all damages permitted by law arising from the default and breach of this Agreement.

Section 12. TERMINATION:

- 12.01 <u>TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF CITY</u>: Upon seven (7) calendar days written notice delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the CONSULTANT, the CITY may, without cause and without prejudice to any other right or remedy, terminate this Agreement for the CITY's convenience, whenever the CITY determines that such termination is in the best interest of the CITY. Upon receipt of the notice of termination for convenience, the CONSULTANT shall promptly discontinue all work at the time. The CONSULTANT shall be paid for all work properly performed prior to the effective date of termination.
- 12.02 <u>VOLUNTARY TERMINATION</u>: CITY or CONSULTANT may terminate this Agreement by providing thirty (30) calendar days advance written notice of termination in the manner specified herein.

Section 13. PERMITS, FEES AND LICENSES:

CONSULTANT shall secure and pay for all permits and governmental fees, licenses, lobbying authorization/certification and charges necessary for the proper execution and completion of the work.

Section 14. <u>TAXES</u>:

CONSULTANT agrees to pay all applicable sales, consumer use and other similar taxes required by law.

Section 15. AUDIT RIGHTS:

CITY reserves the right to audit the records of CONSULTANT, as they apply to CITY, at any time during the performance and term of the Agreement and for a period of three (3) years after completion and acceptance by CITY. If required by CITY, CONSULTANT agrees to submit to an audit by an independent certified public accountant selected by CITY. CONSULTANT shall allow CITY to inspect, examine and review the records of CONSULTANT at any and all times during normal business hours during the term of the Agreement.

Section 16. <u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u>:

16.01 CONSULTANT covenant that no person under their employ who is presently exercised any functions or responsibilities in connection with this Agreement has any personal financial interests, direct or indirect, with CITY. CONSULTANT further covenant that, in the provision of the services set out in this Agreement, no person having such conflicting interest shall be employed. Any such interests on the part of CONSULTANT, or their employees, must be disclosed in writing to CITY.

16.02 CONSULTANT are aware of the conflict of interest laws of the Municipal Code of the CITY and the State of Florida, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes (1993), as amended, and agree that they will fully comply in all respects with the terms of said laws.

16.03 CONSULTANT warrant that they have not employed or retained any person employed by CITY to solicit or secure this Agreement and that they have not offered to pay, paid or agreed to pay, any public official or person employed by CITY any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, or gift of any kind contingent upon or resulting from the award of this privilege.

Section 17. ASSIGNMENT:

CONSULTANT shall not assign, or transfer their rights, title or interests in the Agreement; nor shall CONSULTANT delegate any of the duties and obligations undertaken by CONSULTANT without CITY's prior written approval.

Section 18. NON-DISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYMENT:

During the performance of the Agreement, CONSULTANT shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex or national origin. CONSULTANT will take affirmative action to ensure that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, creed, color, or national original. Such action must include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading; demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. CONSULTANT shall agree to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause.

Section 19. NON-EXCLUSIVITY:

This Agreement is considered a non-exclusive Agreement between the parties. The CITY shall have the right to purchase the same kind of services to be provided by CONSULTANT hereunder from other sources during the term of this Agreement.

Section 20. <u>GOVERNING LAW; VENUE</u>:

20.01 The validity, construction and effect of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida.

20.02 Any claim, objection or dispute arising out of the terms of this Agreement shall be litigated in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Section 21. <u>ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS</u>:

The prevailing party with a judgment subsequent to any claim, objection or dispute arising out of the terms of this Agreement shall be entitled to an award of all reasonable attorney's fees, interest and court costs incurred by such prevailing party against the losing party including reasonable appellate attorney's fees, interest and taxable costs.

Section 22. <u>ENTIRE AGREEMENT</u>:

This Agreement contains the entire understanding of the parties relating to the subject matter hereof superseding all prior communications between the parties whether oral or written. This Agreement may not be altered, amended, modified or otherwise changed nor may any of the terms hereof be waived, except by a written instrument executed by both parties. The failure of a party to seek redress for violation of or to insist on strict performance of any of the covenants of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment for the future of any covenant, term, condition or election but the same shall continue and remain in full force and effect.

Section 23. <u>CUMULATIVE REMEDIES</u>:

The remedies expressly provided in this Agreement to CITY shall not be deemed to be exclusive but shall be cumulative and in addition to all other remedies in favor of CITY now or hereafter existing at law or in equity.

Section 24. SEVERABILITY:

Should any part, term or provision of this Agreement be by the courts decided to be invalid, illegal or in conflict with any law of this State, the validity of the remaining portions or provisions shall not be affected thereby.

Section 25. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT:

The terms and conditions herein arc to be construed with their common meaning to effectuate the intent of this Agreement. All words used in the singular form shall extend to and

include the plural. All words used in the plural form shall extend to and include the singular. All words in any gender shall extend to and include all genders.

Section 26. NOTICES:

All notices or other communications required by this Agreement shall be in writing and deemed delivered upon mailing by certified mail, return receipt requested to the following persons and addresses:

CITY: City Manager

City of Doral

8300 NW 53 Street, #100 Doral, Florida 33166

CONSULTANT: Quantum Results, Inc.

300 Aragon Avenue, #375 Coral Gables, Florida 33134

Section 27. OWNERSHIP AND ACCESS TO RECORDS AND AUDITS.

All records, books, documents, maps, data, deliverables, papers and financial information (the "Records") that result from the CONSULTANT providing services to the CITY under this Agreement shall be the property of the CITY. The City Manager or his designee shall, during the term of this Agreement and for a period of three (3) years from the date of termination of this Agreement, have access to and the right to examine and audit any Records of the CONSULTANT involving transactions related to this Agreement. The CITY may cancel this Agreement for refusal by the CONSULTANT to allow access by the City Manager or his designee to any Records pertaining to work performed under this Agreement that are subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

the day and year first above written.

ATTEST:

CITY OF DORAL, a Florida municipal Corporation

BARBARA HERRERA
City Clerk

TVONNE SOLER-MCKINLEY,
CITY MANAGER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JIMMY L. MORALES City Attorney

QUANTUM RESULTS, INC.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the panties hereto have caused these presents to be executed,