

1 Introduced April 12, 2011, by Councilman
2 Cusimano, seconded by Councilwoman
3 Harbison

4 **RESOLUTION R11-05**

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6 A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Slidell to execute a Legal
7 Services Contract with the Thornhill Law Firm relating to the BP Oil Spill in the Gulf of
8 Mexico on April 20, 2010.

9 WHEREAS, the City of Slidell has submitted a claim for damages against BP
10 as a result of the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico on April 20, 2010; and

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12 WHEREAS, the Parish of St. Tammany and other governmental jurisdictions
13 have hired the Thornhill Law Firm (Thornhill) to represent them in the Multidistrict Litigation
14 (Litigation) pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana;
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18 WHEREAS, the deadline for filing a claim in the Litigation is April 20, 2011;
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22 WHEREAS, Thornhill has proposed a Legal Services Contract (Contract) to
23 the City; and
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26 WHEREAS, the Contract presents no monetary risk to the City in the event of
27 an unfavorable outcome of the litigation; and

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29 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to select Thornhill to represent
30 it.

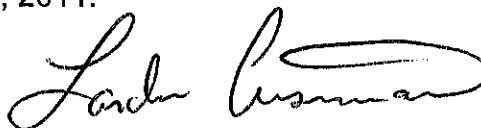
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32 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that
33 pursuant to Charter Section 4-02(D) the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a Legal
34 Services Contract with the Thornhill Law Firm to represent the City in the Multidistrict
35 Litigation No. 2179 pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of
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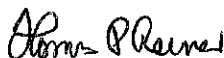
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Louisiana relating to the BP Oil Spill in the Gulf of Mexico on April 20, 2010, a copy of which Contract is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

ADOPTED this 12th day of April, 2011.



Landon Cusimano
President of the Council
Councilman-at-Large



Thomas P. Reeves
Council Administrator