

1 Introduced February 18, 2020, by Councilman
2 Borchert, seconded by Councilman Tamborella,
3 (by request of Administration)

4 **RESOLUTION R20-05**

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7 A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Slidell to execute a Legal
8 Services Contract with the law firm of Tonry, Brinson & Glorioso, LLC relative to the
9 representation of former Slidell Police Department Officer Ronald Stigler in *Michelle*
10 *Fioranelli vs. Slidell Police Department, et al.*, 2019-13564 J, 22nd JDC, Parish of St.
11 Tammany, State of Louisiana.

12 WHEREAS, the City of Slidell and former Slidell Police Department Officer
13 Ronald Stigler have been named as defendants in that certain action titled *Michelle*
14 *Fioranelli vs. Slidell Police Department, et al.*, 2019-13564 J which is pending in the 22nd
15 JDC, Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Litigation"); and

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18 WHEREAS, in section 21-57 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Slidell
19 generally provides for the defense of an employee for claims sounding in negligence
20 arising from the discharge of the employee's duties and coming within the scope of his
21 employment, and the claims asserted in the Litigation currently appear to trigger that
22 provision; and

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26 WHEREAS, Section 21-57(c)(4) of the Code of Ordinances allows for the
27 securing of special counsel for an employee on such a claim in the event of a conflict,
28 which is present in the current situation with respect to any joint representation of the City
29 and former Officer Stigler by the city attorney; and

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33 WHEREAS, the City, with the approval of the Mayor, desires to engage the
34 firm of Tonry, Brinson & Glorioso, LLC to defend former Officer Ronald Stigler in the
35 Litigation.
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4 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that,
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6 pursuant to Charter Section 4-02.D., the Mayor of the City of Slidell is hereby authorized to
7 execute a Legal Services Contract with the law firm of Tonry, Brinson & Glorioso, LLC with
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9 respect to the defense of former Officer Ronald Stigler in the Litigation.

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12 **ADOPTED** this 18th day of February, 2020.

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14 Bill Borchert
15 President of the Council
16 Councilman-at-Large

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19 Thomas P. Reeves
20 Council Administrator

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