Introduced October 12, 2021, by Councilwoman Denham, seconded by Councilman Dunham, (by request of Administration)

## **RESOLUTION R21-24**

A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Slidell to execute a legal services contract with Caraway LeBlanc, L.L.C. relative to the representation of the City of Slidell in relation to the City's interest in the disposition of the northern portion of the commercial area designated as Square C on the official plat of subdivision for Westchester Estates, Slidell, LA, said real property previously having been assigned municipal address 111 Westchester Place, Slidell, LA (the "Property").

WHERAS, the City has a substantial recorded lien interest and an *ad valorem* assessment interest in the Property; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell has need to engage the services of outside counsel to represent the City with respect the City's interest in the disposition of the Property, which Property is currently subject to Parish adjudication and private claims of interest; and

WHEREAS, Caraway LeBlanc, L.L.C., particularly its partner Ryan M. Goudelocke, has substantial experience in assisting public entities with complex tax sale and adjudication matters; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell desires to authorize the engagement of Caraway LeBlanc, L.L.C. to provide representation to the City as set forth above, at rates not to exceed those set forth in the Louisiana Attorney General Maximum Hourly Fee Schedule.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that, pursuant to Charter Section 4-02.D., the Mayor of the City of Slidell is hereby authorized to execute a legal services contract with Caraway LeBlanc, L.L.C. to represent the City with respect the City's interest in the disposition of the northern portion of the commercial area designated as Square C on the official plat of subdivision for Westchester Estates, Slidell,

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LA, said real property previously having been assigned municipal address 111 Westchester Place, Slidell, LA, at rates not to exceed those set forth in the Louisiana Attorney General Maximum Hourly Fee Schedule.

**ADOPTED** this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

Lislie Denham

President of the Council Councilwoman, District A

Thomas P. Reeves
Council Administrator