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ORDINANCE

APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE DOWNTOWN SAN ANTONIO RIVER BARGE CONCESSION CONTRACT WITH GO RIO SAN ANTONIO, LLC (“GO RIO”) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDING FOR USE IN FY2020.

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WHEREAS, Go Rio was awarded the river barge concessions for the term of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Downtown San Antonio River Barge Concession Contract (the “Contract”), Go Rio is responsible for maintaining a fleet of 44 barges; and

WHEREAS, technological enhancements over the past couple of years have presented new opportunities for batteries and propulsion systems to be utilized in the barges; and

WHEREAS, Go Rio and City would like to test new batteries and propulsion systems in preparation for replacing the systems used by the fleet; and

WHEREAS, per the current terms of the Contract, the City is responsible for replacing the systems through a \$0.50 fee on tour and taxi sales and a \$20.00 fee on charter sales; and

WHEREAS, Go Rio has requested to utilize these fees for expenses associated with testing and replacing the propulsion system for the barge fleet and to purchase three barges which are necessary to meet demand for tours and specialty programming; and

WHEREAS, Go Rio is also proposing to simplify taxi services to one-day and three-day combination passes along with a price adjustment for each service allowing customers to utilize taxi services anywhere on the river where barge service is provided for one set fee; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance will authorize the contract amendment and associated taxi service price adjustments to be effective October 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance will also authorize the appropriation of the remaining \$763,026 Fund Balance in FY2020 to be used by the City for future river barge and marina improvements, and provide City Manager or designee the authority to approve these expenditures; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or designee is hereby authorized to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Downtown San Antonio River Barge Concession Contract. A copy of Amendment No. 2 in substantially final form is attached hereto as Attachment I.

SECTION 2. RESERVED FOR FINANCE

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2019.

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Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney