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AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH METALAB TO COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS FOR WATERCRAFT DESIGN OF A NEW RIVER BARGE FLEET IN PREPARATION FOR THE CITY'S 300TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS IN 2018.

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WHEREAS, in 2018, San Antonio will celebrate its 300th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, this occasion prompted a desire by City leaders to re-imagine the river barge experience with a newly-designed, more sustainable, modular fleet using innovative technology that can respond to the needs of both tourists and residents; and

WHEREAS, the City has collaborated with The American Institute of Architects, San Antonio Chapter (AIA San Antonio) to implement a two-phased international design competition for a new river barge design; and

WHEREAS, the competition launched on October 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, a panel of 11 jurors reviewed the 12 anonymous submittals for the first phase of the competition and selected three finalist teams to move into the second phase of the competition based on design innovation, functionality, operational considerations, constructability, and sensitivity to San Antonio's culture; and

WHEREAS, the three finalists submitted their developed design concepts on March 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS, AIA San Antonio held an open house on March 28, 2016 for community members to view renderings and 3-D models of the three finalists' barge designs, and provide feedback on the designs; and

WHEREAS, community feedback was provided to the jury for consideration in their final decision; and

WHEREAS, in the second phase, the jury took additional technical and maintenance considerations into account in making their final decision; and

WHEREAS, the jury selected METALAB's River Boat design as the competition winner; and

WHEREAS, the design provides for an all-electric fleet with modularity for boats to accommodate a wide range of uses, including tours, dining, and events, plus presents new opportunities for the river barge experience; and

WHEREAS, the single-level deck design allows for greater wheelchair accessibility with adjacent companion seating; and

WHEREAS, the durability of materials will require minimal ongoing maintenance and the decorative railings provide enhanced passenger comfort with increased capacity; **NOW THEREFORE:**

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

SECTION 1. The City Manager or her designee, or the Director of the Center City Development and Operations Department or his designee, is authorized to execute a professional services agreement with METALAB to complete construction documents for watercraft design of a new river barge fleet in preparation for the City's 300th anniversary celebrations in 2018. A copy of the professional services agreement, in substantially final form, is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment I**.

SECTION 2. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Director of Finance, City of San Antonio. The Director of Finance may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

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 _____.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Martha G. Sepeda, Acting City Attorney