

RESOLUTION NO. 25-R37

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE **LEASE OF SPACE IN CITY HALL, 100 NORTH US HIGHWAY 1, FORT PIERCE, FL 34950 TO BRIAN MAST, UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE**; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 2-245(d) of the City of Fort Pierce Code of Ordinances allows for the United States, or any department or agency thereof, to apply to the City of Fort Pierce for lease of real property owned by the municipality for public or community interest and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City may lease the property to the United States, or any department or agency thereof, if the City Commission is satisfied that the property is required for the purpose of public or community interest and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the purpose for which the property is to be used and the price or rent for the property must be set out in a resolution approving the lease; and

WHEREAS, Congressional District 21 United States Representative Brian Mast has requested a lease agreement for space in City Hall at 100 North US Highway 1, Fort Pierce, Florida, to be used as a governmental public office; and

WHEREAS, the City is satisfied that such property is available for use as a governmental public office for the purpose of public or community interest and welfare, is not needed for city purposes, and is appropriate to lease for \$250.00 per month for a three (3) year term; and

WHEREAS, on the 6th day of January 2025, the City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce adopted resolution 25-R06 approving a lease agreement for space in city hall, 100 North US Highway 1, Fort Pierce, FL 34950, to Brian Mast, United States Representative, which included an Indemnification Clause; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the approval of the lease, Congressional District 21 United States Representative Brian Mast determined that he could not sign the lease with the indemnification clause included; and

WHEREAS, based on the Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA), the City is willing to move forward with a Lease Agreement without the indemnification clause.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA:

1. The City Commission does hereby authorize a Lease Agreement for the office space at City Hall as shown on Exhibit "A", attached hereto, with Congressional District 21 United States Representative Brian Mast for the purpose of a governmental public office and the rent shall be \$250.00 per month.

2. The Mayor, City Clerk, and City Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to consummate the execution of the Lease Agreement, attached hereto at Exhibit "B".

3. The provisions of this Resolution are declared to be severable and if any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Resolution shall for any reason be held invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Resolution, which shall remain in effect, it being the legislative intent that this Resolution shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

4. All resolutions or parts of resolution in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

5. This Resolution shall take effect upon approval by the City Commission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Resolution has been duly adopted on this 5th day of May 2025.

Linda Hudson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda W. Cox, City Clerk

(CITY SEAL)

Approved as to Form
And Correctness

Sara K. Hedges
City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

DEPICTION OF OFFICE SPACE LEASED

EXHIBIT B

**NON-ASSIGNABLE
LEASE AGREEMENT FOR OFFICE SPACE AT CITY HALL**