RESOLUTION NO. 2007 - 031

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE SELECTION AND NEGOTIATION COMMITTEE'S RANKING FOR THE POSITION OF TOWN ADMINISTRATOR; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE TOP RANKED CANDIDATE; DIRECTING THE TOWN ATTORNEY TO BRING BACK AN AGREEMENT FOR THE TOWN COUNCIL'S APPROVAL; AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE NEXT HIGHEST RANKED CANDIDATE IF NEGOTIATIONS FAIL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on July 30, 2006 in furtherance of the Town's Procurement Code, the Town published a request for letters of interest seeking qualified candidates to be the Town's Administrator; and

WHEREAS, on November 27, 2006 the Town received twenty-nine applicants to its request for letters of interest; and

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2006, the Town's Selection and Negotiation Committee ("SNC"), at a publicly advertised meeting, short listed the applicants to seven finalists; and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2007, the Town's SNC, at a publicly advertised meeting, interviewed all seven finalists; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2007, the Town's SNC, at a publicly advertised meeting, ranked the seven finalists as a recommendation to the Town Council; and

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2007, at a publicly advertised meeting, the Town Council accepted the SNC's rankings and authorized the Town Attorney to commence negotiations with the highest ranked candidate; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council authorizes and directs the Town Attorney to bring back an agreement for the Town Council's review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

Section 1: The above referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: After reviewing all of the information provided, the Town Council hereby approves the SNC's recommendation and ranks the candidates for the position of Town Administrator as follows:

- 1. Christopher J. Russo
- 2. Edwin L. Booth
- 3. Jason Nunemaker/Horace McHugh (tie)

Section 3: The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches hereby authorizes the Town Attorney to enter into negotiations with the top ranked candidate, and to prepare an agreement for the Town Council's approval.

Section 4: The Town Council authorizes the Town Attorney to utilize the procedures set forth within the Town's Procurement Code and to negotiate with the next highest ranked candidate if negotiations fail.

Section 5: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 11th day of January, 2007, on a motion by Council Member Steve Breitkreuz and seconded by Vice Mayor Don Maines.

Fink	<u> </u>	Ayes	5
Maines	<u> </u>	Nays	0
Breitkreuz	<u> </u>	Absent	0
Knight	<u> </u>	Abstaining	0
Nelson	Υ		

[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

Mecca Fink, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan A. Owens, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

Gary A. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney
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