

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-014**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, CONSENTING TO THE CITY OF COOPER CITY PROVIDING WATER SERVICES TO 5451 SW 124<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, REAL PROPERTY LYING WITHIN THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA; PROVIDING THAT NO FURTHER EXPANSION OF SERVICE SHALL BE PERMITTED WITHOUT THE EXPLICIT WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE TOWN; PROVIDING FOR A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO BE FURNISHED TO THE CITY OF COOPER CITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, The Archdiocese of Miami Edward A. McCarthy H.S. ("Owner"), has real property in the Town of Southwest Ranches, as described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

**WHEREAS**, Owner is desirous of obtaining water services for the property, however, water services are not available from the Town of Southwest Ranches; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Cooper City, a neighboring municipality, has capacity to provide this home with water services, and is willing to provide such services to the Owner; and

**WHEREAS**, the Owner is desirous of obtaining water services from the City of Cooper City, and has requested the Town's consent for the connection; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Southwest Ranches consents to the connection provided that no further expansion of service occurs without the specific written consent of the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, Owner agrees that he shall solely be responsible for all costs of connecting to the water facilities from the City of Cooper City, including all ongoing costs of water and maintenance of the utility connections.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1:** Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2:** The Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida hereby consents to the City of Cooper City providing water services to 5451 SW 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue, provided that no further expansion of service shall be permitted without the explicit written consent of the Town.

**Section 3.** A certified copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the City of Cooper City.

**Section 4.** Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

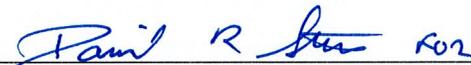
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2024 on a motion by

c/m KUCZENSKI and seconded by c/m JABLONSKI.

Breitkreuz	<u>YES</u>	Ayes	<u>4</u>
Kuczenski	<u>YES</u>	Nays	<u>0</u>
Allbritton	<u>ABSENT</u>	Absent	<u>1</u>
Hartmann	<u>YES</u>	Abstaining	<u>0</u>
Jablonski	<u>YES</u>		

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Steve Breitkreuz, Mayor

Attest:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Debra M. Ruesga, CMC, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Keith Poliakoff, Town Attorney  
1001.102.2024

**WATER AND SEWER SERVICE AGREEMENT**  
**FOR INDIVIDUAL OR COMMERCIAL CUSTOMER**

(Non Residential - Outside the City)

**FOR:** The Archdiocese of Miami Edward A. McCarthy H.S.  
(NAME OF OWNER)

**LOCATION:** 5451 SW 124 Avenue, Southwest Ranches, FL 33330

**THIS AGREEMENT** effective this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, is made and entered into by and between:

**THE CITY OF COOPER CITY**, a municipal corporation of the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as the "CITY," the Town of Southwest Ranches, a municipal corporation of the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as the "TOWN," and The Archdiocese of Miami Edward A. McCarthy H.S., an individual/ or commercial customer with a property address of 5451 SW 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Southwest Ranches, FL 33330 hereinafter referred to as the "OWNER." CITY, TOWN, and OWNER may hereinafter be collectively referred to as the "Parties."

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, CITY is the owner and operator of a water treatment plant and sewage treatment plant, together with water distribution and sewage collection facilities known as COOPER CITY WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM; and

**WHEREAS**, OWNER controls certain real property in Broward County, Florida, as shown and described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part of hereof; and all references made in this Agreement to PROPERTY shall refer specifically to OWNER'S PROPERTY described in Exhibit "A" attached; and

**WHEREAS**, the PROPERTY is located in the TOWN; and

**WHEREAS**, OWNER desires to procure water or sewage disposal service from CITY for the PROPERTY; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 19-142 of the CITY's Code of Ordinances authorizes the CITY to provide water distribution service outside of the CITY's municipal boundaries, subject to Ch. 180, F.S., and the terms and conditions set forth in the CITY Code; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 180.19, F.S., authorizes a municipality to provide water or sewer services outside of its corporate limits and in another municipality, subject to the terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between such municipalities and the owner of the property receiving such service; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parties desire to enter into an agreement setting forth the mutual understandings and undertaking regarding the furnishing of said water and sewer services for the PROPERTY; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cooper City Commission has approved this Agreement and has authorized the proper CITY officials to execute this Agreement by motion passed at a regular City Commission meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council has approved this Agreement and has authorized the proper Town officials to execute this Agreement by motion passed at a regular Council meeting on NOVEMBER 21, 2024.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants and undertakings of CITY and OWNER and other good and valuable considerations, these parties covenant and agree with each other as follows:

#### **PART I - DEFINITIONS**

- A. The term OWNER shall refer to the Contracting Party in this Agreement who has an ownership interest in the PROPERTY.
- B. The term EQUIVALENT RESIDENTIAL CONNECTION, referred to in this Agreement as ERC, is defined for nonresidential / commercial customers in Section 19-72 of the CITY's Code of Ordinances, as may be amended from time to time.
- C. The term PROPERTY refers to the real property described in Exhibit "A" attached to and incorporated into this Agreement.
- D. The term CITY COMMISSION shall refer to the City of Cooper City Commission.

#### **PART II - OWNER'S OBLIGATIONS**

##### **A. CONTRIBUTION PAYMENTS FROM OWNER**

The contribution charges (both water and sewer) shall be calculated according to rates set by Resolution of the City Commission. In addition to all rates, fees and charges otherwise imposed on consumers within the City, in accordance with Section 180.191, F.S., and Section 19-142 of the City Code, the OWNER shall pay to the CITY a surcharge equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of all charges for services provided under this Agreement. This surcharge payment shall be due and payable along with payment for all services provided by this Agreement.

Payment of the contribution charges are a condition precedent to the execution of this Agreement. The contribution charges applicable for this Agreement are summarized as follows:

CONTRIBUTION (WATER)

Non-Residential 1 # ERC's @ \$1,389.10 Per ERC, plus meter installation \$220.00, plus deposit \$100.00, and 25% surcharge \$427.27 for a total of \$2,136.37

Total ERC's 1 (WATER)

CONTRIBUTION (SEWER)

Non-Residential .....# \_\_\_\_\_ ERC's @ \_\_\_\_\_ Per ERC

Total ERC's \_\_\_\_\_ (SEWER)

OWNER has paid to CITY the sum of Two Thousand One Hundred thirty six dollars and thirty seven cents

\$2,136.37 for THE CONTRIBUTION CHARGES DUE AT THE TIME THIS AGREEMENT IS APPROVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION.

**PART III. - MUTUAL COVENANTS**

**A. EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF CITY**

CITY shall have the exclusive right to furnish water distribution service or sewage collection service to consumers within the PROPERTY covered by this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the CITY's duties and obligations, as set forth herein, shall be subject to the CITY having adequate water distribution service or sewage collection service capacity to serve the PROPERTY. The City shall have the sole authority and discretion to determine its water distribution service or sewage collection service capacity and its ability to serve the PROPERTY pursuant to this Agreement.

**B. WELLS PROHIBITED EXCEPT FOR IRRIGATION**

OWNER, Owner's successors and assigns, and the owners and occupants of buildings on OWNER'S PROPERTY shall not install or maintain any water wells except for irrigation purposes. These wells shall not be connected to any potable water system.

**C. PROMULGATION OF REASONABLE RULES OF SERVICES**

CITY shall have the right to promulgate, from time to time, rules and regulations relating to the furnishing of water distribution service and sewage collection service to consumers within the PROPERTY encompassed by this Agreement. Such rules and regulations may relate to, but are not limited to, rates, deposits, and connection charges and the right to discontinue services under certain conditions. OWNER hereby acknowledges and agrees that rates are subject to change at any time by CITY. The OWNER shall be subject to all local, state and federal ordinances, rules and regulations applicable to the services provided by the CITY, including, but not limited to, Chapter 19 and Chapter 25 of the CITY's Code of Ordinances, as may be amended from time to time.

**D. CITY NOT LIABLE FOR OWNER'S OR CONSUMER'S PROPERTY**

CITY shall not be liable or responsible for maintenance or operation of any pipes, pipelines, valves, fixtures or equipment on any of the properties of the customers, consumers or users on OWNER'S PROPERTY. In the event that CITY cannot provide sufficient water and sewer service as a result of the actions of any regulatory agency, then CITY's sole obligation shall be to refund OWNER's contribution charges as described in this Agreement.

**E. OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY**

CITY shall provide one water line to the property and install a meter. Immediately upon installation of the meter, billing of base charges as well as applicable commodity charges will commence. OWNER is responsible to connect house lines to meter. The connections contemplated by this Agreement are for approved plans only, and the OWNER shall not permit the water line to be extended to service any location other than the Property without the expressed written consent of the CITY.

OWNER grants the CITY the right to access the property for purposes of inspecting and maintaining the meter and other utility infrastructure necessary for the City to provide service pursuant to this agreement.

**F. EFFECTIVE DATE**

Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, this Agreement shall not be binding until fully executed, but once executed, it shall have a retroactive effect commencing from the date of the City Commission Meeting at which it was approved.

**G. SYSTEM ON CONSUMER'S PROPERTY TO BE KEPT IN GOOD WORKING CONDITION**

Each consumer of water distribution service or sewage collection service on OWNER'S PROPERTY shall keep all water pipes, service lines, connections and necessary fixtures and equipment on the premises occupied by said consumer, and within the interior lines of the lot occupied by the consumer in good order and condition. The sale of water by CITY to the consumer shall occur at the consumer's side of the entire meter installation, but the obligation for the maintenance of the lines shall be as set forth above and applicable to CITY regulations.

**H. DISCLAIMER**

Any temporary cessations or interruptions of the furnishings of water and sewer service to the PROPERTY described herein, irrespective of duration, at any time caused by an Act of God, fires, strikes, casualties, accidents, power failures, necessary maintenance work, breakdowns, damage to equipment or mains, civil or military authority, riots or other cause beyond the control of CITY shall not constitute a breach of the provisions contained herein nor impose any liability upon CITY by OWNER, Owner's successors and assigns.

I. SEVERABILITY

If and section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Agreement is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining hereof.

J. RECORDING OF AGREEMENT

The provisions of this Agreement shall run with the land and be binding upon and inure to the benefits of successors to title to the property. This Agreement shall be recorded by CITY among the Public Records of Broward County, Florida, for the particular purpose of placing all owners or occupants of properties in OWNER'S PROPERTY connected to or to be connected to said water and sewer systems of CITY upon notice of each and every one of the provisions herein contained to the same extent and with the same force and effect as if said owners and occupants had joined with the parties to this Agreement in the execution thereof; and the acquisition or occupancy of real PROPERTY in OWNER'S PROPERTY connected to or to be connected to said water and sewer system of CITY shall be deemed conclusive evidence of the fact that the said owners or occupants have consented to and accepted the Agreement herein contained and have become bound thereby.

K. HOLD HARMLESS PROVISION

It is mutually agreed that CITY shall be indemnified and held harmless by the OWNER from any and all liability for damages if CITY'S obligations under this Agreement cannot be fulfilled as a result of any ruling or order by any other governmental or regulatory agency having jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof; and in such event, this Agreement shall be null and void and unenforceable by either party regarding that portion of the OWNER'S PROPERTY for which CITY cannot perform its obligation.

L. ATTORNEY'S FEES FOR LITIGATION

The parties agree that in the event that it becomes necessary for any party to this Agreement to litigate in order to enforce its rights under the terms of this Agreement, then, and in that event, the prevailing party shall be entitled to receive from the non-prevailing party reasonable Attorney's fees and the costs of such litigation, including appellate proceedings.

M. OWNER'S COVENANT

The OWNER warrants to the CITY that OWNER holds legal and beneficial title to the PROPERTY which is the subject of this Agreement, or, in the event that the OWNER is a tenant at the PROPERTY, that the OWNER has the legal authority to enter into and execute this Agreement. OWNER individually warrants that he or she has full legal power to execute this Agreement, either in their individual capacity or on behalf of the entity first named above, and has authority to bind and obligate OWNER with respect to all requirements contained in this Agreement.

**PART IV - NOTICE**

Whenever either party desires to give notice to the other, it shall be given by written notice, sent by prepaid certified United States mail, with return receipt requested, addressed to the party for whom it is intended, at the place specified as the place for giving of notice, which shall remain such until it shall have been changed by written notice in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph. For the request, the parties designate the following as the respective places for the giving of notice:

FOR THE CITY OF COOPER:

City Manager  
9090 S.W. 50<sup>th</sup> Place  
Cooper City, Florida 33328

FOR THE OWNER:

Archdiocese of Miami  
9401 Biscayne Blvd.  
Miami Shores, FL 33138  
\_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR  
13400 GRIFFIN ROAD  
SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FL 33330

Notice so addressed and sent by prepaid certified mail, with return receipt requested, shall be deemed given when it shall have been so deposited in the United States mail.

**PART V - ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS**

A. EXHIBITS

The following exhibits are attached, as part of this Agreement and are incorporated into this Agreement:

EXHIBIT "A" – Legal Description of PROPERTY

EXHIBIT "B" – A copy of the site plan of the PROPERTY reduced to 8 ½ by 14" page size.

**SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have caused these presents to be executed on the day and year indicated below:

**CITY OF COOPER CITY:**

ATTEST:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR GREG ROSS

\_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY CLERK

Approved as to legal form:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY MANAGER

\_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY ATTORNEY

STATE OF FLORIDA        )  
COUNTY OF BROWARD    ) SS

BEFORE ME personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ to me well known and known to me to be the person (s) described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that \_\_\_\_\_ executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA

My commission expires:

**OWNER:**

BY: Dr. Elizabeth Morley

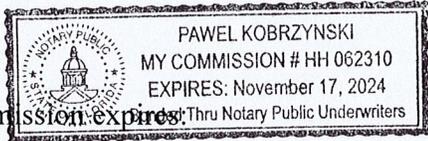
NAME: SISTER ENZABETH MORLEY S.S.J

DATE: 10/21/2024

STATE OF FLORIDA       )  
COUNTY OF BROWARD    )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of  physical presence or  online notarization, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of OCTOBER, 2024, by SR. ENZABETH MORLEY S.S.J (individual/ or business entity name), as OWNER for said PROPERTY. He/she is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of OCTOBER, 2024.



[Signature]  
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA

THE TOWN OF

ATTEST:

[Signature]  
CITY CLERK, OSIBAO RUISSA

BY: [Signature]

TITLE: STEVE BABITKRUZ, MAYOR

DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 2024

Approved as to legal form:

[Signature]  
CITY ATTORNEY, KESTH POLSKOFF

STATE OF FLORIDA            )  
COUNTY OF BROWARD       ) SS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of  physical presence or  online notarization, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_ (individual/ or business entity name), as OWNER for said PROPERTY. He/she is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF FLORIDA

My commission expires:

EXHIBIT A  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION

A PORTION OF PARCEL "A", "BROWARD CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL",  
ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 163, PAGE 32, OF THE  
PUBLIC RECORDS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA.

SAID LANDS SITUATE IN BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA.

SUBJECT TO EASEMENTS, RESTRICTIONS, RESERVATIONS, COVENANTS, AND RIGHTS-OF-  
WAY OF RECORD.

