## **RESOLUTION 19-24**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE CITY'S EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM; ESTABLISHING A POLICY FOR THE PAYMENT OF REASONABLE TRAVEL EXPENDITURES INCURRED BY AUTHORIZED PERSONS TRAVELING ON BEHALF OF THE CITY; PROVIDING A PROCEDURE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF RESOLUTION 13-R58; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to establish a policy by resolution under which the City will reimburse those persons traveling on behalf of the City their reasonable expenses incurred in such travel; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed a proposed Travel Policy, City Council Directed Policy #19-02, and believes adoption of same, to be applicable to all city employees as well as officials, is in the best interest of the City of Port St. Lucie in that it will ensure that the amount and procedures set forth are adequate and appropriate for the City of Port St. Lucie in light of current traveling conditions to satisfactorily reimburse those persons for expenses incurred in the performance of public or official duties.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Ratification of Recitals. The foregoing recitals are hereby ratified and confirmed as true and correct and are hereby made a part of this Resolution.

Section 2. Enactment. The proposed Travel Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A," is hereby authorized by the City Council, to be applied by the City Manager in the reimbursement of expenses incurred by city employees and officials in the performance of their official and/or public duties.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Repeal.</u> The previously adopted Travel Policy including, but not limited to, Resolution 13-R58, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Conflict.</u> If any resolutions, or parts of resolutions, are in conflict herewith, this Resolution shall control to the extent of the conflicting provisions.

<u>Section 5</u>. <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Resolution are intended to be severable. If any part of this Resolution is determined to be void or is declared illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional

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by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

<u>Section 6.</u> <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

CITY COUNCIL CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE

ATTEST:

Karen A Phillips Otty Clerk

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

James D. Stokes, City Attorney