

RESOLUTION 25-R

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA, RATIFYING EXECUTION OF PRIOR PARTICIPATION FORMS; APPROVING THE BANKRUPTCY PLAN OF PURDUE PHARMA; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE PARTICIPATION FORMS FOR COMPANY PURDUE PHARMS'S SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND SECONDARY OPIOID MANUFACTURERS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE FUTURE OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic has had a devastating impact across the United States, including in the State of Florida and within the City of Port St. Lucie ("City"), resulting in widespread addiction, loss of life, increased costs for law enforcement, first responders, healthcare providers, and social services; and

WHEREAS numerous lawsuits have been filed nationwide against manufacturers, distributors, and related entities that contributed to the opioid crisis, seeking to hold such companies accountable for their role in the epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Romano Law Group, has filed lawsuits against multiple companies and remains in active litigation; and

WHEREAS, as part of these proceedings, several companies, including Purdue Pharma, and opioid manufacturers such as Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun Pharmaceuticals, Zydus, and Sandoz (collectively "Opioid Manufacturers"), have entered into settlement agreements designed to provide financial compensation to states, municipalities, and local governments impacted by the crisis; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 and 2022, the City executed certain participation forms in connection with national opioid settlements of Allergan, CVS, Endo, J&J, Teva, Walgreens, and Walmart; and

WHEREAS, on advice of counsel, the City Council wishes to approve Purdue Pharma's bankruptcy plan, authorize execution of participation forms for the Purdue Pharma settlement and the Opioid Manufacturer's settlements, and provide continuing authorization for the Mayor or the Mayor's designee to enter into future opioid-related settlement agreements to secure settlement funds on behalf of the City.

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

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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. Approval, Authorization, and Ratification. The City Council hereby: i) approves the bankruptcy plan for Purdue Pharma and directs the Romano Law Group to vote in favor of the plan on behalf of the City; ii) ratifies and approves all opioid settlement participation forms (attached to this Resolution as Exhibit "A") previously executed by the City ; iii) authorizes the Mayor to execute and enter into, on behalf of the City, the participation form related to Purdue Pharma's settlement agreement (attached to this Resolution as Exhibit "B"), as well as the participation form for Opioid Manufacturer's settlements (attached to this Resolution as Exhibit "C"); and iv) authorizes the Mayor or her designee, after consultation with and advice of counsel, to enter into and execute participation forms or other necessary documents on behalf of the City related to future opioid settlement agreements.

Section 3. Conflict. If any resolutions, or parts of resolutions, are in conflict herewith, this Resolution shall control to the extent of the conflicting provisions.

Section 4. Severability. 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 by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, this 22 day of September 2025.

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE

ATTEST:

By: _____
Shannon M. Martin, Mayor

Sally Walsh, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Richard Berrios, City Attorney