

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-20-71

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, RELATING TO AUDITING SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED ENGAGEMENT LETTER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY WITH RACHLIN COHEN & HOLTZ, LLP, TO PROVIDE AUDITING SERVICES TO THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, state statutes provide for the purchase of services from a firm holding a contract with another municipality without meeting the formal statutory bidding requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the firm of Rachlin Cohen & Holtz, LLP, is currently under contract with the Village of Palmetto Bay which was entered into pursuant to a formal request for proposal bid process; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miami Gardens is required to provide for a timely independent audit of its financial operations for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2003, and subsequent fiscal years with the objective of providing management with reasonable, but not absolute assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use of disposition, that financial transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

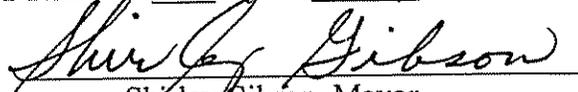
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1:** That the engagement letter between the City of Miami Gardens and Rachlin Cohen & Holtz, LLP, in substantially the form attached, is hereby approved and the Mayor, City Clerk and the City Attorney, in their respective capacities are authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City.

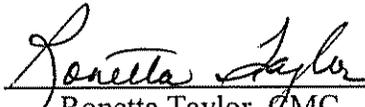
**Section 2:** The City Manager is hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary to immediately implement all of the purposes and intent of this Resolution and attached Agreement and are authorized to make such revisions to such Agreement as are deemed necessary and proper for the best interest of the City.

**Section 3:** Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

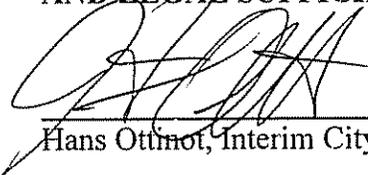
**PASSED and ADOPTED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2004.

  
Shirley Gibson, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Ronetta Taylor, CMC  
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**

  
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Hans Ottmott, Interim City Attorney

Moved by: Councilwoman Watson

Seconded by: Councilman Bratton

**VOTE:        5-2**

Mayor Gibson	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	____ (No)
Vice Mayor Aaron Campbell	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	____ (No)
Councilman Melvin L. Bratton	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	____ (No)
Councilman Oscar Braynon, II	____ (Yes)	<u>  x  </u> (No)
Councilwoman Audrey J. King	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	____ (No)
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett	____ (Yes)	<u>  x  </u> (No)
Councilwoman Barbara Watson	<u>  x  </u> (Yes)	____ (No)