RESOLUTION 22-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PARTY MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT AND ITS INCORPORATED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT, IN ORDER TO JOIN THE FLORIDA RESILIENCY AND ENERGY DISTRICT'S ASSESSED **ENERGY PROPERTY CLEAN** (PACE) **PROGRAM** UNDER **SECTION** 163.08. **FLORIDA** STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in 2010, the Florida Legislature adopted HB 7179 which created Section 163.08, F.S., which allows local governments to create Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) programs in order to provide the upfront financing for energy conservation and efficiency (i.e. energy-efficient heating, cooling, or ventilation systems), renewable energy (i.e. solar panels), wind resistance (i.e. impact resistant windows) and other improvements that are not inconsistent with state law (the "Qualifying Improvements"); and

WHEREAS, PACE programs not only assist residents and business owners in reducing their carbon footprint and energy costs, but also stimulate the local economy by the creation of needed construction jobs; and

WHEREAS, Section 163.08, F.S. authorizes local governments that create PACE programs to enter into a partnership with one or more local governments in order to provide more affordable financing for the installation of the Qualifying Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lake Clarke Shores, the City of Fernandina Beach, and the Florida Development Finance Corporation entered into that certain Interlocal Agreement dated September 6, 2016, (the "Interlocal Agreement), establishing the Florida Resiliency and Energy District, a separate and distinct legal entity in accordance with Section 163.01(7), for the purpose of administering a PACE program; and

WHEREAS, other local governments may join the Florida Resiliency and Energy District program by executing a Party Membership Agreement whereby such a local government becomes a party to the Interlocal Agreement; and

WHEREAS, given the widespread energy and economic benefits of PACE programs, the City Commission desires to join the Florida Resiliency and Energy District program in order to provide the upfront financing to property owners for Qualifying Improvements, and to enter into the Party Membership Agreement attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Ordinance 21-16 authorizing PACE programs to operate within the city pursuant to approval by resolution; and

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WHEREAS, the City Council finds that this Resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the City of Belle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this Resolution.

Section 2. Approval of Party Membership Agreement. The City Commission hereby approves the Party Membership Agreement between the Florida Resiliency and Energy District and the City of Belle Isle, in substantially the form attached to this Resolution. The Party Membership Agreement is non-exclusive and shall not affect any existing PACE Program that the City has or the ability of the City to create, join, or participate in any other similar programs. The Florida Resiliency and Energy District is subject to the provisions of Ordinance 21-16, as may be amended from time to time.

Section 3. Authorization. The Mayor, or his or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute the Party Membership Agreement.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED and AL	DOPTED this _	day of _		, 2022.
	YES		NO	ABSENT
Ed Gold				
Anthony Carugno				
Karl Shuck				
Randy Holihan				<u> </u>
Beth Lowell				
Jim Partin				
Sue Nielsen				
		City of B	elle Isle	
		Nicholas Fouraker, Mayor		
Attest:				
Yolanda Quiceno, City C	Clerk			

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