A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATING TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SERVICE DELIVERY COMMUNICATION PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COST SHARE AGREEMENT WITH CERTAIN CITIES RELATING TO COMPENSATION OF COMMUNICATION SPECIALISTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS discussions between the local governments within and with Cobb County indicate a need for intergovernmental consulting to facilitate discussions and dialogue between said parties, and the City of Powder Springs (the "City") finds it in the public interest to engage communication specialists to provide public information regarding the delivery of and payment for services by and between the local governments within Cobb County consistent with the laws of the State of Georgia, regulations adopted by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, and applicable case law (a "Communications Plan"); and

WHEREAS the City is authorized to enter into intergovernmental agreements with other local governments for the purpose of sharing costs for certain professional services provided to and for the collective benefit of each participating local government; and

WHEREAS the City desires to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the cities of Acworth, Austell, Kennesaw, Marietta and Smyrna to share the costs related to the development and implementation of a Communications Plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council for the City of Powder Springs that it approves and authorizes the mayor to execute an agreement with communication specialists, Ohio River South, Robinson Republic, and Bedrock Advocacy, in a combined amount not to exceed \$822,250 to develop and implement a public information plan regarding the delivery of and payment of services by and between local governments within Cobb County, subject to each city paying an equal share of the costs for said communications plan and subject to review and approval by the City Attorney.

BE IT FURTHERE RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to enter into an intergovernmental cost sharing agreement with the cities of Acworth, Austell, Kennesaw, Marietta and Smyrna for the development and implementation of a Communications Plan, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney.

SO RESOLVED this 6^{th} day of May 2024.

Albert Thurman, Mayor

Henry Lust, Council Member

Doris Dawkins, Council Member

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Dwayne Green, Council Member

Dwight McMutry, Council Member

Patricia Wisdom, Council Member

ATTEST:

Kelly Axt, City Clerk