RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304345 DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE NOV 2 4 2008

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO CONTINUE AN AGREEMENT WITH PAUL PLEVIN SULLIVAN & CONNAUGHTON, LLP IN AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT UP TO \$150,000 TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEFENSE OF JAMES M. CHAPIN AND PENNY L. CASTLEMAN V. OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY, CITY OF SAN DIEGO, ET AL., AND AUTHORIZING THE COMPTROLLER TO EXPEND RELATED FUNDS

WHEREAS, on or about October 10, 2005, James M. Chapin and Penny L. Castleman filed a complaint for wrongful constructive termination in the case titled *Chapin and Castleman v.*Aguirre and City of San Diego, Federal District Court, Southern District of California, Case No. 05

CV 1906 R (POR); and

WHEREAS, outside legal counsel was necessary to represent the City because the parties are former city employees and the complaint arises out of the actions allegedly taken by the City Attorney's Office and The City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Paul Plevin Sullivan & Connaughton, LLP has the necessary skills and experience to assist the City in defense of this matter within the required time frame; and

WHEREAS, for the defense against Penny L. Castleman initial representation was authorized for up to \$100,000 and has been paid from Contract No. C-13218 filed with the Office of the City Clerk on March 24, 2005.

WHEREAS, for the defense against James M. Chapin initial representation was authorized for up to \$100,000 and has been paid from Contract No. C-13318 filed with the Office of the City Clerk on June 27, 2005; and

WHEREAS, On September 16, 2008, the City Council in Closed Session on Item CS-6, heard an update of *Chapin and Castleman v. Aguirre and City of San Diego, et al.*, Federal District Court Case No. 05CV1906 R (POR) and approved the case strategy and the continued retention of outside counsel. The motion was made by Council President Peters and the second by Council President Pro Tem Madaffer. The motion passed 7 to 1 with Councilmember Hueso voting "No"; NOW, THEREFORE;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that the City Attorney is authorized to continue the contract with Paul Plevin Sullivan & Connaughton, LLP for outside counsel services for an additional amount not to exceed \$150,000 to defend any and all claims by James M. Chapin and Penny L. Castleman v. Office of The City Attorney, City of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Comptroller is authorized to expend up to \$150,000 from the Public Liability Fund.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

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Lawrence V. Tomanek
Chief Deputy City Attorney

LVT:ca 10/16/08

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San

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