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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 312673

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE OCT 08 2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION OF HUGO PARKER, LLP AS OUTSIDE COUNSEL AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH HUGO PARKER, LLP.

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2019, Plaintiffs initiated litigation against the City and City employee Ronald Villa styled *Alina Cadena, et al. v. City of San Diego, et al.*, Case No. 37-2019-00032076-CU-MC-CTL (Action).

WHEREAS, due to the unusual and complex nature of the legal issues involved in the Action, the City Attorney's Office does not have the necessary expertise to advise the City and Mr. Villa on the defense in the Action; and

WHEREAS, on August 9, 20019, the Purchasing Agent approved the Request and Certification for Sole Source Procurement; and

WHEREAS, Hugo Parker, LLP (Law Firm) has the necessary skills and experience to assist the City in this matter; and

WHEREAS, the agreement for legal services (Legal Services Agreement) accompanying this Resolution, between the City and the Law Firm is for an amount not to exceed \$300,000; and

WHEREAS, the funding for the Legal Services Agreement shall be borne by the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to San Diego Municipal Code section 22.3207, contracts over \$250,000 with outside counsel must be approved by the City Council. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego as follows:

- 1. That the City Attorney is authorized to retain the Law Firm as outside counsel to represent the City and Mr. Villa in the Action in an amount not to exceed 300,000.
- 2. That the Legal Services Agreement is approved and the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute for and on behalf of the City of San Diego, an Agreement for Legal

Services with the Law Firm for legal services and expenses incurred in the Action, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, under the terms and conditions set forth in the Legal Services Agreement on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR 312673

3. That the Chief Financial Officer or his designee is authorized to appropriate and expend an amount not to exceed \$300,000 from the General Fund to provide funds for the above Legal Services Agreement, contingent upon the Chief Financial Officer first issuing one or more certificates certifying that the funds necessary for expenditure are, or will be, on deposit in the City Treasury.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

By

Meghan Ashley Wharton Senior Deputy City Attorney

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August 21, 2019

Or.Dept: City Attorney Doc. No.: 2091361

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of 001 01 2019.

Approved:

(date)

By Read Deputy City Clerk

Kevin L. Faulconer, Mayor

Vetoed:

ELIZABETH S. MALAND

Kevin L. Faulconer, Mayor

City Clerk

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Monica Montgomery	Z			
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