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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 315980

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JAN 2 3 2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION OF FOUR SELECTED LAW FIRMS AS OUTSIDE COUNSEL FOR APPELLATE LAW AND WORKERS COMPENSATION LAW ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS AND RELATED ACTIONS.

RECITALS

The Council of the City of San Diego (Council) adopts this Resolution based on the following:

- A. The City Attorney's Office (Office) utilizes outside counsel to provide legal services when the Office has a conflict of interest, lacks expertise in a particular area of law, or lacks capacity to handle a particular matter.
- B. When the City engages outside counsel, time is of the essence. In an attempt to streamline the process, the City issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) in April 2024 seeking outside counsel in appellate land workers compensation law. Four law firms were determined to have the skills and expertise necessary to represent the City in these two areas. The four law firms would each enter into an as-needed agreement with the City in an amount not-to-exceed \$500,000 for a term of five years.
- C. The Office recommends retaining Mullen Plummer + Castiglioni, APC to represent the City in workers compensation law matters, and Collins + Collins, LLP, Meyers Nave, APC, and Niddrie Addams Fuller Singh, LLP, to represent the City in appellate law matters on an as-needed basis.
- D. The Office is seeking City Council authorization to retain the four selected law firms to represent the City on an as-needed basis as outside legal counsel in the two areas of law identified and in which the Office has needed assistance in the recent past.

ACTION ITEMS

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of San Diego:

- 1. The Council authorizes the City's retention of Mullen Plummer + Castiglioni

 APC for workers compensation law, and Collins + Collins LLP, Meyers Nave APC, and Niddrie

 Addams Fuller Singh LLP, for appellate law.
- 2. The Chief Financial Officer or his designee is authorized to appropriate and expend an amount not-to-exceed \$500,000 for each five-year agreement with the four law firms, for the purpose of funding as-needed outside counsel in two identified areas of law, contingent upon the adoption of the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for the applicable fiscal year and the Chief Financial Officer furnishing one or more certificates certifying that funds necessary for expenditure are, or will be, on deposit with the City Treasurer.

APPROVED: HEATHER FERBERT, City Attorney

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Sr. Lead Deputy City Attorney

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December 17, 2024

Or.Dept: City Attorney

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I certify that the Council of the City of San Diego adopted this Resolution at a meeting held on **JAN 14 2025**

DIANA J.S. FUENTES City Clerk -

Deputy City Clerk

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