



Roll Call Number

13-1241

Agenda Item Number

EX4

July 29, 2013

Date

HIRING OF OUTSIDE COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the City Attorney's office desires to hire outside counsel to handle worker's compensation matters on a temporary basis and to represent the City in threatened litigation where the City Attorney's office has a conflict of interest; and

WHEREAS, former Assistant City Attorney Steven C. Lussier, of Steven Lussier, P.L.C., handled worker's compensation matters for the City when he was employed by the City; and

WHEREAS, Randall H. Stefani of Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. is an experienced attorney who has been employed by the City as conflict counsel in the past; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa:

A. That Steven C. Lussier, of Steven C. Lussier, P.L.C., be and is hereby hired by the City of Des Moines as outside counsel, at the rate of \$100.00 per hour, to conduct worker's compensation matters on behalf of the City of Des Moines until such time as the City determines those services are no longer necessary.

B. That Randall H. Stefani of Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. be and is hereby hired by the City of Des Moines as outside counsel, at a rate pursuant to the firm's agreement with the City, to represent the City in a matter of threatened litigation where the City Attorney's office has a conflict of interest.

FORM APPROVED:

MOVED BY

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TO ADOPT

Handwritten signature of Jeffrey D. Lester, City Attorney

SPONSOR: Mayor Cownie

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GRIESS	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
MEYER	✓			
MOORE	✓			
TOTAL	7			

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Handwritten signature of Y. M. Franklin Cownie, Mayor

Handwritten signature of Diane Rauh, City Clerk

City Clerk