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Agenda Item Number

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Date August 9, 2021

RETENTION OF OUTSIDE COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the City has before it several legal matters for which potential conflicts and internal staffing demands require the use of outside counsel; and

WHEREAS, the law firm of Hopkins and Huebner, P.C., 2700 Grand Ave., Suite 111, Des Moines, Iowa 50312-5215, has agreed to represent the City in these various matters; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Des Moines to retain the law firm for general legal matters.

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

That the law firm Hopkins and Huebner, P.C., 2700 Grand Ave., Suite 111, Des Moines, Iowa 50312-5215, be and is retained by the City of Des Moines for the purpose of representing Des Moines for general legal matters as directed by the City Attorney. Such retention is for reasonable expenses and at the rate of \$200.00 per hour for the work of attorneys who are partners of the firm and \$175.00 per hour for the work of an attorney who is an associate in the firm.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the law firm is to provide detailed billing for such services and payment for such services may be periodic. The Finance Director is authorized to pay for such services and the City Attorney shall report such payments to the City Council on a quarterly basis.

Moved by Gatto to adopt.

Approved as to Form:

/s/: Carol J. Moser

Carol J. Moser, Deputy City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
BOESEN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
GRAY	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

CERTIFICATE

I, P. Kay Cmelik, 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.

J. M. Franklin Cownie Mayor

P. Kay Cmelik City Clerk