



City of Hollywood

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Legislation Text

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A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving The Payment Of Fees, Pursuant To The Current Engagement Letter Between The City Of Hollywood And Paul T. Ryder, Jr., P.A. In An Annual Amount Not To Exceed \$115,000.00.

Staff Recommends: Approval of the attached resolution.

Explanation:

The City has used Paul T. Ryder, Jr., P.A. (the "Attorney") to provide legal services in various labor and employment matters. Section 38.40(C)(2) of the Code of Ordinances exempts from the competitive bid and competitive proposal requirements of the Purchasing Ordinance contracts for professional services. When professional services are purchased and the estimated annual amount to be paid therefor by the city is more than \$50,000, City Commission approval is required.

The annual amount of fees to be paid to the Attorney was previously estimated to be \$75,000.00. On July 8, 2015, the City Commission adopted Resolution No. R-2015-185, which approved an engagement letter with the Attorney based on an hourly rate and approved the payment of fees to the Attorney in an estimated annual amount of \$75,000.00.

Since July 8, 2015, it has been determined that the fees earned by the Attorney will exceed \$75,000.00 on an annual basis, and the actual amount will likely approach but not exceed \$115,000.00. It is expected that the Attorney will provide approximately the same amount of services in Fiscal Year 2016 as in Fiscal Year 2015.

Funding has been identified and will be available in the Fiscal Year 2015 budget in Account No. 01.0104.00000.514.003126 and will be included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2016 budget.

Recommended for inclusion on the agenda by:

Jeffrey P. Sheffel, City Attorney

Wazir A. Ishmael, Ph.D., City Manager

George Keller, Assistant City Manager - Finance & Administration