



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, Authorizing Payment Of Attorneys' Fees To Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L. In An Additional Amount Up To \$150,000.00 For Fiscal Year 2024, Bringing The Total Amount Authorized For Fiscal Year 2024 To \$250,000.00.

Financial Management & Administration

Staff Recommends: Approval of the attached Resolution.

Explanation:

The City has engaged the law firm of Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L. ("Weiss Serota") to provide legal services in various matters, including labor and employment.

Section 38.41(C)(11)(i) of the Procurement Ordinance exempts contracts for professional services from the competitive bid and competitive proposal requirements of the Procurement Ordinance. When professional services are contracted and the estimated annual amount to be paid for those services exceeds \$100,000.00, City Commission approval is required.

The fees accrued for various matters handled by Weiss Serota are approaching \$100,000.00, and the City Attorney estimates that by the end of FY2024, they will exceed \$100,000.00. The City Attorney recommends that the City Commission approve a \$150,000.00 increase in the expenditure for a total amount up to \$250,000.00 for matters handled by Weiss Serota.

Fiscal Impact:

The funding for this agreement is available in the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget in account number 001.020101.51400.531220.000000.000.000.

Recommended for inclusion on the agenda by:

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