

Legislation Text

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A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute The Attached Agreement Between Greenberg Traurig, P.A. And The City Of Hollywood For Legal Services In Public Utilities Matters In An Amount Not To Exceed \$200,000.00 For FY 2017.

Staff Recommends: Approval of the attached resolution.

Explanation:

Greenberg Traurig, P.A. ("the Law Firm") is representing the City ("City") in dispute resolution matters with respect to the water and wastewater utility system, primarily involving ongoing issues with the City of Pembroke Pines, one of the City's Large Users.

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.

In view of the considerable amount of legal services being rendered by the Law Firm and anticipated to be rendered throughout FY 2017, the City Attorney recommends that the Commission approve the attached engagement letter, which among other things, caps the fees to be paid to the Law Firm in FY 2017 at \$200,000.00.

Funding for the miscellaneous professional and administrative services has been provided via Resolution No. R-2016-291 which continued the appropriation for previously approved capital projects from FY2016 to FY2017.

Funding for the services is available in account number 42.4000.85860.536.003126.

Recommended for inclusion on the agenda by:

Jeffrey P. Sheffel, City Attorney Dr. Wazir A. Ishmael, City Manager Steve Joseph, Director of Public Utilities