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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: May 19, 2020

Subject

Approval of a contract amendment for the Agreement with Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger for City Attorney services.

Recommended Action

Approve the contract amendment for the Agreement with Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger for City Attorney services.

Background

The City Council approved an Agreement dated February 5, 2019 with Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger LLP for City Attorney services. Since that time, a City Council Subcommittee consisting of Mayor Steven Scharf and Vice Mayor Darcy Paul have met with City Attorney Heather Minner to discuss changes to the Agreement for City Attorney services. Various changes were discussed and agreed on. The changes have been drafted into a proposed amended contract dated April 27, 2020 for City Council approval.

Sustainability Impact

No impact.

Fiscal Impact

The proposed amended contract includes a reduction in hourly rates; however overall City Attorney costs are based on the number of hours utilized. It is expected that the new hourly rates may result in a savings to the City, but the potential savings cannot be calculated. There is no budget change as a result of approving the amended contract, but the reduced rates were already factored into the proposed FY 2020-2021 City Attorney's Office budget.

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Approved for Submission by: Deborah Feng, City Manager

Attachments:

A – Amended Contract dated 4-27-20 red-line version

B – Amended Contract dated 4-27-20 clean version