



## **AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of July 30, 2013  
Action Item for the City Council Meeting of August 20, 2013

**DATE:** July 16, 2013  
**TO:** Ronald L. Olson, City Manager  
**FROM:** Carlos Valdez, City Attorney  
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Legal Services Contract with Tim Brown for general water issues

### **CAPTION:**

Motion to authorize the City Manager or designee to execute a legal services agreement with Timothy L. Brown to advise the City on water rights and general water law issues, at monthly rate of \$6,500 plus expenses.

### **PURPOSE:**

To obtain legal services for general water law issues for FY 2014-2015.

### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

Tim Brown has many years experience in dealing with City of Corpus Christi water issues.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Hire attorney with water expertise as a permanent City employee.

### **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

Mr. Brown provides legal advice during legislative session concerning water issues.

### **CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

This request conforms to City Charter provision regarding employment of legal counsel.

### **EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:**

Non-emergency

### **DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

The Water Department Director is in concurrence with this request.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Operating       Revenue       Capital       Not applicable

<b>Fiscal Year: 2013-2014</b>	<b>Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)</b>	<b>Current Year</b>	<b>Future Years</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
Line Item Budget		\$280,000		280,000
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item		\$80,000		80,000
BALANCE		200,000		200,000

Fund(s): Water

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the legal services contract.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Letter agreement attached.