



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of October 13, 2015

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of October 20, 2015

DATE: October 15, 2015
TO: Ronald L. Olson, City Manager
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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 hourly rate of \$175 per hour, not to exceed \$7,000 per month, plus expenses.

PURPOSE:

To obtain legal services for general water law issues for FY 2015-2016.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

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

ALTERNATIVES:

Hire water law specialist 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 Environmental & Strategic Initiatives Interim Department Director is in concurrence with this request.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

X Operating Revenue Capital Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2015-2016	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget	\$616,000			\$616,000
Encumbered / Expended Amount	0			0
This item	\$84,000			\$84,000
BALANCE	\$532,000			\$532,000

Fund(s): Water

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the legal services contract.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Letter agreement attached.
Resume