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This resolution amends the contract with outside legal counsel for provision of legal services to the City of Milwaukee for the Equal Rights Division complaint and any related state or federal court litigation subsequently filed by former Assistant City Attorney Naomi Gehling. This resolution further approves expenditure of an additional \$17,500 from the City Attorney’s Office Counsel Expert Witness Special Purpose Account for the remaining balance for provision of those services.

Whereas, On January 31, 2022, former Assistant City Attorney Naomi Gehling filed an Equal Rights Division complaint against the Office of the City Attorney; and

Whereas, On May 10, 2022, the Common Council adopted Resolution File Number 212035, authorizing the Office of the City Attorney to retain outside legal counsel to provide legal services to the City of Milwaukee for the Equal Rights Division complaint and any related state or federal court litigation subsequently filed by former Assistant City Attorney Naomi Gehling; and

Whereas, The contract with retained outside counsel requires an amendment to pay the remaining balance for these legal services; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City Milwaukee, that the Office of the City Attorney is authorized to amend the contract with outside counsel for provision of legal services and representation to the City for the Equal Rights Division complaint and any related state or federal court litigation subsequently filed by former Assistant City Attorney Naomi Gehling; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Office of the City Attorney is authorized to execute an Amended Contract for Legal Services with Lindner & Marsack, S.C., increasing the total not to exceed amount to \$67,500; and, be it

Further Resolved, That an amount not to exceed \$17,500 is appropriated from the City Attorney's Office Counsel Expert Witness Special Purpose Account Number 0001-1490-S157-06300 for retaining outside counsel; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Office of the City Attorney is directed to expend up to \$17,500 from this account for this purpose.

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