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Resolution authorizing the transfer of \$120,000 from the Common Council Contingent Fund to the Outside Counsel-Expert Witness Fund to cover expenses incurred by expert witnesses and attorney fees for intervening parties, pursuant to the requirements of the court's order in the case captioned United States of America, et al. v. City of Milwaukee, et al., United States District Court Civil Action No. 74-C-480

-Analysis-

This resolution authorizes the transfer of funds from the Common Council Contingent Fund to the Outside Counsel-Expert Witness Fund to pay reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by expert witnesses for intervening parties in the case captioned United States of America, et al. v. City of Milwaukee, et al., United States District Court Civil Action No. 74-C-480. It is estimated that the reasonable costs incurred will be approximately \$120,000.

Whereas, The Common Council has approved a proposed modified order in United States of America, et al. v. City of Milwaukee, et al., United States District Court Civil Action No. 74-C-480, which included provisions for the development of a new selection procedure for Police Officers and Police Aides hired by the City of Milwaukee Fire and Police Commission; and

Whereas, The Fire and Police Commission has contracted with SHL/Landy Jacobs & Associates, who have developed said selection procedures; and

Whereas, The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin has further ordered that the City of Milwaukee pay the expenses of the intervening parties' reasonable attorney fees and expenses of qualified testing experts up to the amount of \$120,000; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the sum of \$120,000 shall be transferred from the Common Council Contingent Fund, No. 0001 9990 0001 C001 006300 to the Outside Counsel-Expert Witness Fund, No. 0001 1490 0001 S157 634001, and the expenditure of \$120,000 from the Outside Counsel-Expert Witness Fund is hereby authorized for the purpose of paying the reasonable attorney fees and expenses of qualified testing experts incurred by the intervening parties in the case captioned United States of America, et al. v. City of Milwaukee, et al., United States District Court Civil Action No. 74-C-480; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Attorney be and hereby is authorized and directed to pay fees and expenses after review and approval of invoices from attorneys and expert witnesses of intervening parties pursuant to the court order; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Comptroller is authorized and directed to appropriate the sum of \$120,000 to the City Attorney's Office budget for the stated project; and that application of the funds directed herein to a case other than specifically referred to herein shall be subject to the further direction of the Common Council.

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