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### THE CHAIR

Resolution authorizing the transfer of \$10,000 from the Common Council Contingent Fund to the Outside Counsel/Expert Witness Fund for the purpose of retaining outside legal counsel in MPA. et al. v. City of Milwaukee, et al., Case No. 97-CV-007996. (City Attorney)  
- Analysis -

This resolution authorizes the transfer of \$10,000 from the Common Council Contingent Fund to the Outside Counsel - Expert Witness Fund for the purpose of retaining outside legal counsel in MPA. et al. v. City of Milwaukee, et al., Case No. 97-CV-007996.

Whereas, The Outside Counsel - Expert Witness Fund is to be used by the City Attorney's Office to retain the services of expert witnesses and outside legal counsel; and

Whereas, Any appropriation of funds from this Fund requires approval by the Common Council via resolution; and

Whereas, Common Council File Number 971183, adopted on November 25, 1997, authorized the City Attorney to enter into an agreement with the law firm of Reinhart, Boerner, Van Deuren, Norris & Rieselbach, S.C. ("Firm") to provide the City representation in the case of MPA, et al. v. City of Milwaukee, et al., Case Number 97-CV-007996, as outside counsel in defense of Common Council File Number 970387, passed on October 14, 1997; and Common Council File Number 971183, adopted on November 25, 1997, appropriated \$10,000, and Common Council File Number 971609, adopted on February 10, 1998, appropriated \$50,000, and Common Council File Number 980719, adopted on June 16, 1998 appropriated \$100,000 from the Contingent Fund and Common Council File Number 981209, adopted on December 18, 1999 appropriated \$75,000 from the Contingent Fund, and Common Council File Number 990231, adopted on June 1, 1999, appropriated \$20,000 from the Outside Counsel Expert Witness Fund; and Common Council File Number 980465, adopted on September 28, 2000 appropriated \$10,000 from the Contingent Fund; and

Whereas, There is a remaining balance of \$1,923.31 and there are existing bills in the amount of \$7,159.53 which will result in a negative balance of \$5,236.22 and additional funding in the amount of \$10,000 is needed; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council that \$10,000 be transferred from the Common Council Contingent Fund No. 0001-9990-C001-006300 to the Outside Counsel/Expert Witness Fund No. 0001-1490-0001-9990-634001 and the expenditure of \$10,000 is hereby authorized for the purpose of retaining outside counsel as directed herein; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Office of the City Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to engage outside counsel and pay legal fees incurred by outside counsel upon receipt of an itemized bill, approved to be reasonable and necessary by the Office of the City Attorney; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the proper city officers be and are hereby authorized and directed to make whatever fund transfers are necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this resolution and that application of the funds directed herein to a case other than that specifically referred to herein shall be subject to the further direction of the Common Council.

City Attorney  
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