

City of Rochester Hills AGENDA SUMMARY FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2008-0609

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Julie Jenuwine, Finance Director 248.841.2535

DATE: November 26, 2008

SUBJECT: Authorization for Blanket Purchase Order for City Attorney Services

REQUEST:

To request City Councils authorization for a blanket purchase order to Hafeli Staran Hallahan Christ & Dudek, P.C. for city attorney fees for the 2009 fiscal year in the amount not-to-exceed \$300,000.

REASON FOR PURCHASE:

City Council appointed Hafeli Staran Hallahan Christ & Dudek, P.C. as the City's attorney pursuant to Section 8.7 of the City Charter. The City Attorney provides general legal services to the City, including representation on certain lawsuits, consultation, contract review, legal opinions and prosecution.

Past years' legal expenditures for City Attorney (general):

2008 - \$300,000 projected

2007 - \$278,000

2006 - \$351,000

2005 - \$365,000

2004 - \$389,000

2003 - \$377,000

For 2009, hourly rates for legal services by Hafeli Staran Hallahan Christ & Dudek are as follows:

- partner rate for legal work performed by John Staran = \$120 per hour
- hourly rates performed by other attorneys with the firm = \$105 per hour

A 2% administrative/overhead charge along with an incidental charge (shipping, copy costs) are called out in the contract.

The contract (indefinite term) is attached.

PROCESS:

Vendor Name and Address:

Hafeli Staran Hallahan Christ & Dudek, P.C. 4190 Telegraph Road Suite 3000 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302-2082

Method of Purchase:

Blanket Purchase Order/Contract

BUDGET:

| Fund Name | Department Account No | Account No. Description | 2009 Budget | '09 Blanket Request | Remaining Budget |
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| General Fund | 210.805001 | Legal Fees-City Attorney | \$300,000 | \$300,000 | \$0 |

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that City Council authorize a blanket purchase order to Hafeli Staran Hallahan Christ & Dudek, P.C. for city attorney fees for fiscal year 2009 in the amount not-to-exceed \$300,000.

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