



**City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
FINANCIAL ITEMS**

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Legislative File No: 2006-0895

TO: City Council Members
FROM: Julie Jenuwine, Finance Director 248.841.2535
DATE: December 1, 2006
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 2007 fiscal year in the amount not-to-exceed \$384,000.

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:

2006 - \$375,000 estimated (*\$385,000 budgeted*)
2005 - \$365,358
2004 - \$388,848
2003 - \$377,408

For 2007, hourly rates for legal services by Hafeli Staran Hallahan Christ & Dudek will remain unchanged. The partner rate for legal work performed by John Staran is \$115 per hour. The hourly rates performed by other attorneys with the firm range from \$90 to \$110 per hour. Also, a two-percent administrative charge along with incidental charges (shipping, copy costs) are included 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	Budget Amount	Cost	Remaining Budget
General Fund	210.805001	Legal Fees-City Attorney	\$385,000	\$384,000	\$1,000*

* Balance used for State of Michigan lien service used by law firm.

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 2007 in the amount not-to-exceed \$384,000.

RESOLUTION

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