



Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve Second Amendment to Legal Services Contract with Butzel Long in Connection with Broadway Lower Town and Appropriation of Reimbursed Funds **(8 Votes Required)**
The City has retained the legal services of James C. Adams of Butzel Long in connection with the Broadway Village at Lower Town project. Council, on May 7, 2007, approved a contract with Butzel Long for these services in the amount of \$150,000. That contract amount has been expended and we now come to Council with an amendment to that contract in the amount of \$75,000. It is important to note that Mr. Adams' services will be reimbursed by the developer. We have received reimbursement from the developer for all of Mr. Adams' previous charges.

It is recommended that Council approve the resolution.

Louise Wolford, Office Manager

Stephen K. Postema, City Attorney

Roger W. Fraser, City Administrator

Whereas, Section 5.2(c) of the Ann Arbor City Charter authorizes City Council, on the recommendation of the City Attorney, to retain special legal counsel to assist the City Attorney;

Whereas, Representation by the firm of Butzel Long relating to matters involving the Broadway Village at Lower Town project is in the best interests of the City at this time based on James C. Adams' expertise in development matters;

Whereas, The cost of services rendered by Butzel Long will be reimbursed to the City of Ann Arbor by the developer; and

Whereas, Butzel Long received Human Rights and Living Wage approval on April 2, 2008;

RESOLVED, That City Council approve an appropriation, as funds are received, to the revenue budget for reimbursement of legal services performed by Butzel Long in connection with the Broadway Village Lower Town project to be paid for by the developer without respect to fiscal year;

RESOLVED, That the City Council approve an increase in the revenue and expenditures budget, as funds are received, in the General Fund Attorney Services budget in the amount of reimbursement from the developer in connection with the Broadway Lower Town project; without respect to fiscal year;

RESOLVED, That the City Council approve the Second Amendment to the contract for legal services with the law firm of Butzel Long in a total amount of \$225,000, without respect to fiscal year; and

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute the contract amendment with Butzel Long after approval as to form and substance by the City Attorney.