

City of Ann Arbor

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Resolution to Approve the Professional Services Agreement with Rosati, Schultz, Joppich, & Amtsbuechler P.C., for Legal Services Relative to Trinitas Development, LLC (\$150,000.00) **(8 Votes Required)**

Trinitas Development, LLC has filed a claim of appeal against the City following City Council's denial of the Cottages at Barton Green Site Plan;

The City Attorney selected the Rosati, Schultz, Joppich, & Amtsbuechler P.C., law firm to provide legal advice regarding this claim of appeal. The selection is based on the firm's familiarity with the issues and the firm's experience and expertise.

Rosati, Schultz, Joppich, & Amtsbuechler P.C. complies with the City of Ann Arbor's Non-Discrimination and Living Wage Ordinances.

Approval of a the professional services agreement with Rosati, Schultz, Joppich, & Amtsbuechler P.C. in the amount of \$150,000.00 for legal services relative to the Cottages at Barton Green Site Plan is recommended.

<u>Fiscal/budget impact</u>: Funding for these services were not planned for in the FY2019 adopted budget. Funding is requested from the General Fund balance.

Prepared by: Kevin McDonald, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Reviewed by: Stephen K. Postema, City Attorney Approved by: Howard S. Lazarus, City Administrator

Whereas, Trinitas Development, LLC has filed a claim of appeal against the City following the City Council's denial of the Cottages at Barton Green Site Plan;

Whereas, The Rosati, Schultz, Joppich, & Amtsbuechler P.C. law firm is well qualified to provide legal services representing the City relative to the Cottages at Barton Green Site Plan, including representing the City in negotiations as well as in litigation;

Whereas, The City Attorney recommends a contract for legal services for an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00; and

Whereas, Rosati, Schultz, Joppich, & Amtsbuechler P.C., complies with the City of Ann Arbor's Non-Discrimination and Living Wage Ordinances;

RESOLVED, That the FY2019 General Fund expenditure budget in the Attorney's Office be increased by \$150,000 for legal services without regard to fiscal year with funding from the General Fund balance:

RESOLVED, That the professional services agreement for legal services with Rosati, Schultz, Joppich, & Amtsbuechler P.C., be approved in the amount of \$150,000.00 to provide continuing legal

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services relative to the Cottages at Barton Green Site Plan, subject to approval as to substance by the City Administrator and approval as to form by the City Attorney;

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the professional services agreement with Rosati, Schultz, Joppich, & Amtsbuechler P.C; and

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator be authorized to take any necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.

Sponsored by: Mayor Taylor