



Legislation Text

File #: 19-2419, **Version:** 1

Resolution to Approve the Extension of Temporary Employment Agreement between Abigail Elias and the City of Ann Arbor (\$30,000.00)

Due to changes in personnel in the City Attorney's Office, the City of Ann Arbor entered into a Temporary Employment Agreement with Abigail Elias to provide legal services to the City during the interim of replacing a Senior City Attorney. The City needs to extend the Temporary Employment Agreement between Abigail Elias and the City of Ann Arbor which is effective as of July 1, 2019 through November 1, 2019 or until the maximum compensation of \$25,000.00 is exhausted. The agreement is being amended to extend the effective date through April 1, 2020 and to add \$30,000.00 to the contract amount to cover this extension. This extension will allow for a transition period for onboarding the new Senior City Attorney scheduled to start on September 9, 2019.

Budget or Fiscal Impact: Funding for this amendment is available in the appropriate approved Public Services Area Operation and Maintenance budgets.

Approved by: Stephen K. Postema, City Attorney

Whereas, The Senior Assistant City Attorney previously assigned to the Public Services Area resigned as of July 3, 2019;

Whereas, That position was filled as of September 9, 2019;

Whereas, Former Chief Assistant City Attorney Abigail Elias was willing to come back and assist the City as of July 1, 2019 and her contract was extended until December 31, 2019;

Whereas, Attorney Elias is still needed to transfer the requisite knowledge for the transition of the new attorney and that transition is not completed;

Whereas, Attorney Elias is also working on several matters, including contracting issues and the Gelman matter, that require her continued expertise;

Whereas, It is in the City's interest to have her continue this work until completion;

Whereas, The amended contract for Attorney Elias is not to exceed for \$30,000.00 will be extended until April 15, 2020;

Whereas, Attorney Elias's continued service to the City is necessary and beneficial; and

Whereas, Funding for the amendment to the contract are available in the appropriate approved Operation and Maintenance budgets within the Public Services Area;

RESOLVED, The amendment to the contract is for an estimated 450 hours at \$66.36/hour for a not to exceed amount of \$30,000.00, and a total contract amount of \$79,000.00;

RESOLVED, That the attached amendment to the contract with Abigail Elias in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00 is approved; and

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator, Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the amendment to the contract.