

AGENDA



Thursday, April 10, 2008

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RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**Item No. 26**

Subject: Authorize the negotiation and execution of an amendment to the legal services agreement with Andrews Kurth, LLP, for legal services related to the Onion Creek Flood Mitigation Program, in the amount of \$31,500 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$80,500.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department.

In 2007, the City of Austin hired Lino Mendiola and Melissa Leal of Andrews Kurth,LLP to provide legal advice in connection with initial phases of the administration of a federal grant for the Onion Creek Flood Mitigation Program. This flood mitigation program is used to move houses and relocate residents who live in the Onion Creek floodplain. The services of Mr. Mendiola and Ms. Leal are still needed to provide legal assistance with additional phases of the flood mitigation program.

The original contract amount was \$49,000. The requested amendment is \$31,500 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$80,500.