Thursday, May 22, 2008

Law RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 10

Subject: Authorize the negotiation and execution of an amendment to the legal services agreement with Andrews & Kurth, L.L.P., for legal services related to the acquisition of property for Water Treatment Plant No. 4, in the amount of \$162,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$212,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

In 2007, the City of Austin hired Andrews & Kurth, L.L.P., to provide legal advice in connection with initial phases of acquisition of property for Water Treatment Plant No. 4. The services of Andrews & Kurth, L.L.P., are still needed to provide legal assistance with additional phases of property acquisition.

The original contract amount was \$50,000. The requested amendment is \$162,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$212,000.