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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	19361	Agenda Number	23.
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Meeting Date:	10/18/2012	Department:	Legal
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a legal services contract with Denton, Navarro, Rocha & Bernal for services related to City of Austin labor negotiations with employees in the Fire, Police, and EMS departments, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of the Labor Relations Office.

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

In 2013 the City will enter into labor negotiations with employees in the Fire, Police, and EMS departments. Lowell Denton, with Denton, Navarro, Rocha & Bernal, will act as lead negotiator and legal co-counsel for the City.

Historically, negotiations have lasted several months beginning in the spring and concluding in the summer. Mr. Denton has been the City of Austin's lead negotiator for the past several negotiations and has also been the lead negotiator for several other negotiations for other cities in Texas. As a result, Mr. Denton brings a statewide knowledge base which will benefit the City in the upcoming negotiations.