

Austin City Council Item ID 21391 Agenda Number 12.

Meeting Date: 2/14/2013 Department: Legal

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to a legal services contract with Renea Hicks for services related to City of Austin v. Harry M. Whittington, et al, Cause No. D-1-GV-07-00942 in the 353rd District Court of Travis County Texas, in the amount of \$25,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$147,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$12,500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of Austin Energy, and \$12,500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of the Austin Convention Center.

Fiscal Note

| Purchasing Language: | |
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| Prior Council Action: | Council approved \$40,000 amendment to \$82,000 contract on September 23, 2010. |
| For More Information: | |
| Boards and Commission Action: | |
| MBE / WBE: | |
| Related Items: | |

Additional Backup Information

Renea Hicks has been the City's appellate lawyer on the Whittington litigation for many years. The right to take issue in this condemnation case has been decided in the City's favor by the Texas Supreme Court. The trial court must now enter final judgment. This increase in fee is to pay for remaining work to be provided by Renea Hicks to finalize the judgment.