

# CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE Albuquerque, New Mexico

# Albuquerque, New Mexico Office of the Mayor

Mayor Timothy M. Keller

# INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

October 21, 2020

TO: Pat Davis, President, City Council

FROM: Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

**SUBJECT:** Supplemental to EC-19-486

(IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUESTED)

Due to Covid-19, this EC seeks to increase the maximum amount of the contracts for personnel hearing officers to twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500.00). Personnel hearings historically have been distributed somewhat evenly through the year. Between March and June 2020, the Office of Administrative Hearings conducted few hearings, but the OAH did receive requests for personnel hearings during that time. When the OAH resumed conducting hearings, there was a backlog of matters, which was addressed between July and October. This rush of hearings resulted in a skewed workload. Although the Clerk's Office anticipates that most of the hearing officers will not exceed twenty thousand dollars, we may need to issue supplemental contracts in one or more instances.

This EC further seeks to clarify the prior EC in this matter. In September 2019, EC-19-486 was submitted to Council regarding the Recommendation of Award for RFP No. 201000050 "Personnel Hearing Officers." The EC recommended awarding five contracts to five of the attorneys who submitted RFPs. By ordinance, Personnel Hearing Officers are offered two-year contracts. Historically, these contracts have been for a maximum of \$20,000.00 for the two-year period, or ten-thousand dollars per fiscal year.

The cover analysis of EC-19-486 intended to convey that--consistent with past practice—the Clerk's Office would be offering contracts to the hearing officers of twenty thousand dollars, or ten thousand dollars per fiscal year. The cover analysis, however, stated "we anticipate issuing five contracts of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00)." This Supplemental EC seeks to clarify that consistent with ordinance and past practice, the City Clerk's Office issued contracts of twenty thousand dollars to the hearing officers.

Chief Administrative Officer

(Supplemental to EC-19-486)

Approved:

Approved as to Legal Form:

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Esteban A. Aguilar, Jr.

Date

City Attorney

Recommended:

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10/22/2020 | 12:06 PM PDT

(Ethan Watson)

Date

Director

#### **Cover Analysis**

- 1. What is it? This is an executive communication which will increase the total authorization for the contracts issued to hearing officer from \$20,000 to \$27,500 due to a significant amount of work that was delayed due to COVID-19. This executive communication also seeks to clarify the Council's decision on a prior executive communication and clarify that the Office of the City Clerk was authorized to issue contracts of twenty thousand dollars per year, or ten thousand dollars per fiscal year, not contracts of ten thousand dollars.
- **2.** What will this piece of legislation do? As described above, this executive communication will clarify that the Council's vote confirming a prior executive communication authorized the City Clerk's Office to issue contracts to Personnel Hearing Officers for twenty thousand dollars. It will additionally authorize the City Clerk's Office to issue a supplemental contracts to the hearing officers for an additional seven thousand five hundred dollars to compensate for an unexpected spate of hearings.
- **3. Why is this project needed?** The initial executive communication approved by the City Council, which authorized the City Clerk's Office to contract with personnel hearing officers, was unclear and said that the City Clerk's Office could issue contracts of ten thousand dollars. There has also been a lot of work for hearing officers this year and the Clerk's Office needs authorization to issue supplemental contracts.
- **4. How much will it cost and what is the funding source?** Clarifying that the City Clerk is authorized to issue contracts of twenty thousand dollars over a two-year period will not require any additional funding. These contracts have traditionally been for twenty thousand dollars allocated equally over two fiscal years. The increase of the hearing officers' contract amounts by seven thousand five hundred dollars will come from existing appropriations to the City Clerk's Office and the Office of Administrative Hearings.
- 5. Is there a revenue source associated with this Plan? If so, what level of income is projected? No.

# **FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS**

TITLE: Correction to R: O:

FUND: 110

DEPT: Clerk

[X ] No measurable fiscal impact is anticipated, i.e., no impact on fund balance over and above existing appropriations.

[] (If Applicable) The estimated fiscal impact (defined as impact over and above existing appropriations) of this legislation is as follows: 0

		2019		al Years 2020	2021	Total	
Base Salary/Wages Fringe Benefits at							-
Subtotal Personnel			-	-	-		-
Operating Expenses				_			-
Property				-	-		-
Indirect Costs			-	-	-		-
Total Expenses	\$		-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	_
[] Estimated revenues not affected							
[x] Estimated revenue impact							
Revenue from pro	ogram						0
Amount of Grant				-	-		
City Cash Match							
City Inkind Match							
City IDOH			-	-	-		-
Total Revenue	\$		-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-

These estimates do <u>not</u> include any adjustment for inflation.

Number of Positions created

## **COMMENTS:**

# COMMENTS ON NON-MONETARY IMPACTS TO COMMUNITY/CITY GOVERNMENT:



<sup>\*</sup> Range if not easily quantifiable.

THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT is made and entered into this	day of
,, by and between the City of Albuquerque, New Mexico, a mur	nicipal
corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "City"), and Attorney at Law Judith L. Dur	zo, an
individual, whose address is PO Box 95345, Albuquerque, NM 87199 (hereinafter referred	d to as
the "Contractor").	

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the City and Contractor entered into an Agreement, dated December 3, 2019, hereinafter referred to as the "Original Agreement", whereby the Contractor agreed to render certain professional services to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that a supplemental agreement is needed to add monies to continue the Personnel Hearing Officer services pursuant to RFP P2019000050; and

WHEREAS, the parties agree that electronic signatures are preferred; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is agreeable to continuing the services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual obligations herein, the parties hereto do mutually agree as follows:

1. Section 3.A. of the Original Agreement is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 2. Section 25 is added which reads:
- 25. **Electronic Signatures.** Authenticated electronic signatures are legally acceptable pursuant to Section 14-16-7 NMSA 1978. The parties agree that this agreement may be electronically signed and that the electronic signatures appearing on the agreement are the same as handwritten signatures for the purposes of validity, enforceability, and admissibility.

- 3. Except as herein expressly amended, the terms and conditions of the Original Agreement shall remain unchanged and shall continue in full force and effect unless there is a conflict between the terms and conditions of the Original Agreement and this Supplemental Agreement, in which event, the terms and conditions of the Supplemental Agreement shall control.
- 4. This Agreement shall not become effective or binding until approved by the City's Purchasing Officer.

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE	CONTRACTOR: Attorney at Law Judith L. Durzo
Approved By:	By:
Ethan Watson City Clerk	
Date:	
Purchasing Officer	-
Date:	_

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,, by and between the City of Albuquerque, New Mexico, a munic	ipal
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Third Street NW Suite 500, Albuquerque, NM 87120 (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"	or").

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Approved By:	Ву:
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Date:	
Purchasing Officer	
Date:	

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CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE	CONTRACTOR: Rita G. Siegel
Approved By:	By:
	Title:
Ethan Watson City Clerk	
Date:	
Purchasing Officer	
Date:	

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,, by and between the City of Albuquerque, New Mexico, a municipal
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