



# Agenda Item

## City Council

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**THRU:** Jarad Hildenbrand, City Manager

**FROM:** Wayne W. Winthers, Interim City Attorney

### 1. SUBJECT

First Amendment to Attorney Services Agreement with Bordin Semmer, LLP to provide legal services relating to litigation defense in the matter of *Brandon Jacob Hull v. City of Orange, et al.*

### 2. SUMMARY

The City currently has an agreement with Bordin Semmer, LLP to provide litigation services for the City's defense in the matter of *Brandon Jacob Hull v. City of Orange, et al.* for an amount not to exceed \$30,000, which will soon be expended. The proposed First Amendment will increase the not to exceed amount by \$30,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$60,000.

### 3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve a First Amendment to Attorney Services Agreement with Bordin Semmer, LLP in the amount of \$30,000; and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute on behalf of the City.

### 4. FISCAL IMPACT

The expense for this agreement is \$30,000 and will be funded through:  
731-1301-55102 Legal Services

### 5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Goal 2: Enhance Economic Development and Achieve Fiscal Sustainability.

### 6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

While the City Attorney's Office handles most litigation matters in-house, the City does contract with outside counsel when the complexity of a case or a significant burden to staff time requires additional staffing expertise.

The First Amendment of the agreement, to increase the contract by \$30,000, will raise the total not to exceed amount to \$60,000, and is necessary to carry out further defense of the City in this case.

### 7. ATTACHMENT

- First Amendment to Attorney Services Agreement with Bordin Semmer, LLP