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City Council Agenda Item

Subject: Approval of law firm to hear ethics cases (Ethics Officer) – Chief Executive

Submitted By: Dr. Marc-Antonie Cooper

Date Submitted: September 28, 2021

Work Session Date: October 04, 2021

Council Meeting Date: October 04, 2021

Background/History:

At the September 20th, meeting the governing body approved for the City Manager and City Attorney to move forward identifying several attorneys or law firms to serve as an ethics hearing officer. We obtained a list of rotating law firms and reached out to each requesting that they provide an engagement letter for the above referenced services. We received the requested information from two firms (1) Robert Jackson Wilson, PC, Lawrenceville, GA and (2) Chandler, Britt and Jay, LLC, Buford, GA. The City Manager is seeking direction from the council on which firm to engage to move the ethics process forward.

Cost: \$ 10,000

Budgeted for: _____ **Yes** **No**

Financial Impact:

Budget will be amended to move \$8,000 from 100-20-1110-52-3402 Printing City Code Amendments to 100-20-1120-52-1105 -Ethics Board which increase the line item to \$10,500 to pay for ethics complaint review.

Action Requested from Council:

Approval of the herein listed budget amendment and an engagement agreement with one law firm mentioned above.