City of Hartford \* County of Van Buren \* State of Michigan



**TO:** Mayor Hall and the Hartford Commission

FROM: Nicol Brown, City Manager

**DATE:** April 30, 2025

## RE: APPROVAL OF LAUTERBACK & AMEN PROPOSAL

## **ITEM BEFORE THE COMMISSION:**

The item before the Commission is to approve the Lauterback & Amen proposal for accounting services.

## **DISCUSSION:**

The city staff met with Lauterback & Amen (L&A) after receiving a letter from the Department of the Treasury requesting a deficiency plan. Joe with L&A has been working off and on with the treasury department for a year. I contacted Joe for his immediate assistance in assisting the treasurer with reconciling the city's unbalanced accounts. The treasurer has been trying to balance the account for over a year. Joe's support in balancing the accounts will free up time for the treasurer to continue with day-to-day duties. Joe started working on reconciling the accounts several weeks ago so that we could address the findings from the audit.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The City of Hartford approves Lauterback & Amen's proposal for \$3,000 in accounting services not to exceed 16 hours and gives the city manager approval to execute the agreement.