

**RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL TO
AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AHKIRAH
LEGAL AND DIVERSITY CONSULTANTS**

WHEREAS, advertised for consultant proposals to assist the City of Hendersonville with Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hendersonville received nine proposals from consulting companies who specialize in DEI work; and

WHEREAS, following an extensive evaluation of all proposals by internal and external stakeholders the selection committee recommend the hiring of Ahkirah Legal and Diversity Consultants.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hendersonville, North Carolina that:

1. The City Manager is authorized to enter into a contract with Ahkirah Legal and Diversity Consultants to assist with the development of a comprehensive Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Program in the amount not to exceed \$147,500, as presented.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Hendersonville, North Carolina on this ____ day of _____ 20____.

Attest:

Barbara G. Volk, Mayor, City of Hendersonville

Angela L. Reece, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Angela S. Beeker, City Attorney