Professional Legal Services Contracts

METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MARION COUNTY, INDIANA RESOLUTION NO. 2024-E-018

WHEREAS, the Department of Metropolitan Development ("DMD"), by authority of and pursuant to I.C. 36-7-15.1, engages in redevelopment activities within the Marion County Redevelopment District Area, Marion County, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to I.C. 36-7-15.1, the Metropolitan Development Commission ("MDC") acts as the redevelopment commission of the Consolidated City of Indianapolis ("City); and, consistent with the policy and purpose of I.C. 36-7-15.1, has a duty to promote the use of land in the manner that best serves the interests of the City and its inhabitants and broad authority to take actions to foster redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the MDC is authorized to approve the employment of all persons engaged by contract to render professional or consulting services for DMD; and

WHEREAS, in order to carry out the duties described in I.C. 36-7-15.1, DMD requires access to professional outside legal services on an as-needed, as-assigned basis ("Services") and

WHEREAS, under I.C. 5-22-6-1, the City and DMD have authority to purchase Services using any procedure the City considers appropriate and desire to have timely access to necessary Services where a matter requires particular expertise, is time-sensitive, or is necessary because of capacity or other reasons; and

WHEREAS, as such needs arise, DMD is in the best position to articulate the scope of Services and to negotiate satisfactory fees as appropriate given the particular matter, expertise, experience and other considerations relevant to the representation; and

WHEREAS, to address both current and future needs for Services, DMD desires to enter into a contract or contracts, for up to four (4) years each, with outside legal counsel for Services. The number of contracts and nature and volume of Services rendered will depend on the actual needs that arise, with matter-specific scopes of Services, attorneys and support staff, rates, costs and not-to-exceed amounts. All contract Services may be paid from all sources of funding available for such Services; and

WHEREAS, DMD will seek MDC authorization for payment as specific matters arise and actual costs of Services for the matter ort matters are known.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Metropolitan Development Commission of Marion County as follows:

- 1. The MDC hereby authorizes DMD to enter into agreements for legal Services with outside counsel, selected by DMD, and for terms not to exceed four (4) years in duration with the understanding that all proposed compensation for specific matters under such contracts will come before the MDC for approval and must be approved by the MDC prior to disbursement.
- 2. The Director of the Department of Metropolitan Development is hereby authorized and directed to take such further actions and execute such documents as deemed necessary or advisable to effectuate the authorizations set forth in this Resolution.
- 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Commission.

Approved as to Adequacy & Legal Form	Metropolitan Development Commission		
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