## **RESOLUTION NO. 23-1930**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH STEWART MACNICHOLS HARMELL, INC., P.S. FOR PUBLIC DEFENSE SERVICES

- **WHEREAS**, the Sixth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution grants all criminal defendants the right to an attorney; and
- **WHEREAS**, if a defendant cannot afford an attorney, the defendant will be granted one by the governing body; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City of Lake Forest Park is the governing body that contracts for public defense services to provide counsel for indigent criminal defendants at Lake Forest Park Municipal Court; and
- **WHEREAS**, in 2018, the City requested proposals for public defense services and selected Stewart MacNichols Harmell, Inc., P.S. after a competitive Request for Proposals (RFP); and
- **WHEREAS**, the City seeks to renew the contract with Stewart MacNichols Harmell for an additional three (3) year term with the possibility of two (2) additional one (1) year extensions; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City Attorney has reviewed and approved the proposed contract and scope of work;
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park, as follows:
- Section 1. <u>CONTRACT APPROVED</u>. The contract with Stewart MacNichols Harmell, Inc., P.S. for public defense services is approved, and the Mayor is authorized to sign the contract in substantially the same form as provided in the attached Exhibit A.
- Section 2. <u>CORRECTIONS</u>. The City Clerk is authorized to make necessary corrections to this resolution including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, resolution numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

| PASSED BY A MAJORITY VOTE of the members of the City of Lake Forest Park City Council this day of December, 2023. |                       |
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|   | APPROVED:             |
|   | Jeff Johnson<br>Mayor |
| ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:   |                       |
| Matt McLean City Clerk  |                       |
| FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: RESOLUTION NO.:  |                       |