

BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF SNOQUALMIE

AB24-073 June 24, 2024 Consent Agenda

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AB24-073: Authorization for continued legal services with K&L ☐ Discussion Only					
	Gates				□ Action Needed:	
PROPOSED	Move to approve an additional \$80,000 for continued legal					
ACTION:	representation with K&L Gates.			☐ Ordinance		
					☐ Resolution	
REVIEW:	Department Director	Mike Chambless		6/3/2024		
	Finance	Janna Walker		6/11/2024		
	Legal	David Linehan		6/3/2024		
	City Administrator	Mike Chambless		6/13/2024		
DEPARTMENT:	Administration					
STAFF:	Deana Dean, City Clerk					
COMMITTEE:	Finance & Administration		COMMITTEE DATE: June 18, 2024			
EXHIBITS:	1. Engagement Letter					

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE \$ 80,000

AMOUNT BUDGETED \$ 11,257,982

APPROPRIATION REQUESTED \$ 0

SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

The City entered into an engagement letter with K&L Gates on June 6, 2023, for legal services related to feeto-trust, fee-for-service, and other legal matters. The City has exceeded the \$50,000 spending threshold and seeks Council approval for an additional \$80,000 for continued legal representation.

ANALYSIS

Administration is actively engaged with K&L Gates on several legal matters and is seeking Council approval as required under the Financial Management Policies.

BUDGET IMPACTS

Administration recommends approving expenditures up to \$80,000 for continued legal representation with K&L Gates. The 2023-24 amended budget appropriates \$11,257,982 for General Fund (#001) administration activities. Currently, \$8,094,064 has been spent in the current biennium, with \$416,538 in outstanding contract value and an estimated \$1,369,472 in current employees' salary and benefits payable for the remainder of the biennium. With the addition of an estimated \$80,000 payable to K&L Gates, the remaining Biennial Budget appropriation is \$1,297,908, as shown within the table on the following page. Therefore,

sufficient appropriation exists within the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget (General Fund #001) to fund the expenditure.

General Fund Administration (#001)

2023-2024 A	mended B	iennial Budget
Beginning Budget	\$	11,257,982
Expenditures	\$	(8,094,064)
Outstanding Contract Value (Previously Approved)		(416,538)
Estimated Labor Value for Remainder of Biennium (City Employees)	\$	(1,369,472)
Current Available Budget	\$	1,377,908
Value of this Contract (AB24-073)	\$	(80,000)
Available Budget after AB24-073		1,297,908

PROPOSED ACTION

Move to approve an additional \$80,000 for continued legal representation with K&L Gates.