

ACTION APPROVING CONTRACT
WITH LINEBARGER GOGGAN BLAIR & SAMPSON, LLP

After having provided adequate notice as required by Sec. 2254.1036 of the Texas Government Code, the Agreement for Delinquent Municipal Court Fines and Fees Collection Services with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP is approved and the Mayor of the City of Stephenville, Texas is authorized to execute this Agreement.

After exercising its due diligence, the City of Stephenville hereby finds that:

1. There is a substantial need for the legal services to be provided pursuant to the Agreement for the Collections of Delinquent Municipal Court Fines and Fees entered into;
2. These legal services cannot be adequately performed by the attorneys and supporting personnel of the City of Stephenville at a reasonable cost;
3. These legal services cannot reasonably be obtained from attorneys in private practice under a contract providing only for the payment of hourly fees, without regard to the outcome of the matter, because of the nature of delinquent municipal court fines and fees penalties provided by Texas Code of Criminal Procedure and because the City does not have the funds to pay the estimated amounts required under a contract only for the payment of hourly fees;
4. Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP, is well qualified and competent to perform the legal services required to comply with the terms of this contract;
5. Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP has not previously provided these specialized legal services to the City of Stephenville.
6. The contract with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP is the result of an arm's length transaction between the City of Stephenville and Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP and is fair and reasonable.