

## **REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL**

**DATE: JUNE 28, 2006**

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER**

**BY: MIKE KAMINO, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DAPEER, ROSENBLIT & LITVAK, LLP, FOR CITY PROSECUTING SERVICES**

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The purpose of this item is to seek City Council approval for the City to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Dapeer, Rosenblit & Litvak, LLP, for City prosecuting services.

The firm of Dapeer, Rosenblit & Litvak, LLP, has acted as the City's Prosecuting Attorney for code enforcement cases since April of 1992. The City's contract with the firm expires on June 30, 2006 and staff is requesting that the contract be renewed for FY 2006-07. Dapeer, Rosenblit & Litvak, LLP, is proposing to increase their rate of \$140 per hour used the last two years to \$150 per hour. Staff has recommended that the City Council approve a budget of \$50,000 for FY 2006-07 for City Prosecutor services, which is consistent with this fiscal year's budgeted amount.

Dapeer, Rosenblit & Litvak, LLP, has provided the City with a high quality level of service over the last fourteen years and has increased Code compliance significantly throughout the City. This firm has also assisted staff in training and providing advice in code enforcement and staff supports renewal of the contract for FY 2006-07.

The proposed agreement has been reviewed by the City Attorney and approved as to form.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the City Council approve the attached Professional Services Agreement with Dapeer, Rosenblit & Litvak, LLP, in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.

Attachment: Agreement