

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: JULY 11, 2007

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

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 expired on June 30, 2007 and staff is requesting that the contract be renewed for FY 2007-08. The proposed \$150 hourly rate of Dapeer, Rosenblit & Litvak, LLP, is the same rate used during FY 2006-07. The proposed budget for FY 2007-08 is \$40,000, which is consistent with this fiscal year's budgeted amount for City prosecuting services.

Dapeer, Rosenblit & Litvak, LLP, has provided the City with a high quality level of service over the last fifteen 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 2007-08.

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

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council approve the attached Professional Services Agreement with Dapeer, Rosenblit & Litvak, LLP, in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.

Attachment: Agreement