

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Resolution authorizing execution of an amendment to the Agreement for Professional Services with Pacifica Law Group LLP, outside counsel for the City in addressing the events surrounding the January 17, 2022 landslide in the Somerset neighborhood, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, exclusive of any applicable taxes.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Resolution authorizes execution of an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Pacifica Law Group to address the events surrounding the January 17, 2022 landslide in the Somerset neighborhood.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10083

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

On January 17, 2022, a landslide occurred in the Somerset neighborhood, knocking a home off its foundation and leaving it in a precarious position. The City retained Pacifica Law Group to assist the City in addressing various legal issues which have arisen as a result of the landslide. This contract amendment covers ongoing work that is anticipated to address these various legal issues.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS**Policy Impact**

Bellevue City Code 4.28.040 provides that professional services contracts in excess of \$90,000 require Council approval.

Fiscal Impact

This action obligates the City to increase the total contract amount for legal services provided by Pacifica Law Group LLP by \$210,000.

Original Contract	\$ 40,000
Amendment #1	\$ 50,000
Amendment #2	\$210,000
New Contract Total Amount	\$300,000

Sufficient funds exist within the 2021-2022 biennial budget to fund this contract.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of an amendment to the Agreement for Professional Services with Pacifica Law Group LLP, outside counsel for the City in addressing the events surrounding the January 17, 2022 landslide in the Somerset neighborhood, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, exclusive of any applicable taxes.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

Proposed Resolution No. 10083

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

Amendment #2 to the Agreement for Services (Professional Services Contract)