



City Council Staff Report

Subject: Amendments to Various Agreements for Legal Services

Date: April 14, 2026

Submitted By: Matthew McOmber, City Attorney

Department: City Attorney's Office

Recommendation:

- A. Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Approving and Authorizing the City Attorney to Execute the Third Amendment to the Agreement for Legal Services with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore.
- B. Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Approving and Authorizing the City Attorney to Execute the Third Amendment to the Agreement for Special Counsel Legal Services with Civica Law Group, APC.

Background:

Liebert Cassidy Whitmore

On December 31, 2024, the City entered into a Legal Services Agreement with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore (the Firm) for labor negotiation and employment law issues as they arise, legal opinions, policy review, and other issues as determined necessary by the City Attorney for assignment to the Firm (the Agreement). The original Agreement authorized legal services up to \$100,000. On September 9, 2025, by Resolution No. 2025-194, the City Council approved the First Amendment to increase the total compensation to \$150,000 and on December 9, 2025, approved a Second Amendment to increase the total to \$210,000. The Firm has provided legal services that are nearing the not-to-exceed amount, and the City Attorney, in conjunction with the Administrative Services Department anticipate the continued need for the Firm's specialized legal services, including labor negotiations and other matters.

Therefore, staff recommends approval of a third contract amendment to authorize an increase of the not-to-exceed amount of the Agreement to \$250,000 and to authorize the City Attorney, as the purchasing officer for all contracts for legal services, to execute the third amendment. The accompanying amendment would further delegate authority to the City Attorney to approve and sign amendments to the agreement such that effective July 1, 2026, the maximum amount payable by City to Firm would not exceed an additional \$150,000 (One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) per Fiscal Year, with corresponding updates to the period of performance through the later of June 30, 2029 or the conclusion of assigned matters.

Civica Law Group

On July 31, 2024, the City entered into a Legal Services Agreement with Civica law Group (the Firm) for specialized code enforcement and receiverships and related matters as determined necessary by the City Attorney for assignment to the Firm (the Agreement). The original Agreement authorized legal services up to \$70,000, and was subsequently amended twice in accordance with Rocklin Municipal Code 3.04.040 and 3.04.050(B). The Firm has provided legal services that are nearing the not-to-exceed amount, and the City Attorney anticipates the continued need for the Firm's specialized legal services, including receivership legal services and other matters.

Therefore, staff recommends approval of a third contract amendment to authorize an increase of the not-to-exceed amount of the Agreement to \$150,000 and to authorize the City Attorney, as the purchasing officer for all contracts for legal services, to execute the third amendment. The accompanying resolution would further delegate authority to the City Attorney to approve and sign amendments to the agreement such that effective July 1, 2026, the maximum amount payable by City to Firm would not exceed an additional \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) per Fiscal Year, with corresponding updates to the "Term" through the later of June 30, 2029 or the conclusion of assigned matters.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no additional fiscal impact to the General Fund. Sufficient funds are available in the Fiscal Years 2025/26 & 2026/27 Operating Budgets to support the recommendation, and would be available in future years' operating budgets as adopted by the City Council.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution A
2. Resolution A Exhibit A - Third Amendment to LCW Agreement
3. LCW Agreement for Legal Services, as amended
4. Resolution B
5. Resolution B Exhibit A - Third Amendment to Civica Agreement for Special Counsel Legal Services
6. Civica Agreement for Special Counsel Legal Services, as amended