City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: **HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL** **DATE: OCTOBER 6, 2020**

FROM: **CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE** **WARDS: ALL**

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO ADVISE THE CITY COUNCIL THE OPTION TO USE OTHER COUNSEL REGARDING ISSUES AFFECTING CHARTER OFFICERS**

ISSUE:

Adopt a Resolution directing the City Attorney to advise the City Council their option to use other legal counsel regarding issues affecting Charter Officers.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council adopt the attached Resolution directing the City Attorney to inform the City Council of the option to use other counsel before advising on issues affecting Charter Officers.

DISCUSSION:

In connection with the settlement in the *Bailey v. City of Riverside lawsuit*, the City Council agreed to consider a resolution wherein the City Attorney, prior to advising on legal issues that affect one of the three Charter Officers (City Manager, City Clerk and City Attorney) employment contract, the City Attorney is to inform the City Council of their option to use other counsel. The attached Resolution will satisfy that issue.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact for the adoption of the Resolution.

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Attachments: Resolution