

BILL/ RESOLUTION REQUEST

1. **Title:** Amends the contract with Senter Goldfarb & Rice to provide legal services and to increase the cap amount by \$350,000 for a total of \$1,150,000.00 (CE13018).

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3. **Requesting Agency:** City Attorney

4. **Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance***

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5. **Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance who will present the item at Mayor Council and who will be available for first and second reading, if necessary***

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6. **Describe the proposed ordinance, including what the proposed ordinance is intended to accomplish, who's involved**

a. Scope of Work

The second amendment will increase the cap amount of the contract by \$350,000, taking it from \$800,000 in the first amendment to \$1,150,000. The contract provides legal services to the City and County of Denver for cases in which there is a conflict, and the City Attorney's Office is precluded from representing the City. The cases sent to this law firm are primarily police excessive force cases which present a sizable liability to the City if not defended appropriately. In addition to legal fees, the contract provides for reimbursement of litigation expenses incurred by the firm

b. Duration

1/1/2011-12/31/2014, extended from 12/31/2012

c. Location

N/A

d. Affected Council District

N/A

e. Benefits

The City and/or its officers obtain high-quality outside legal representation at an extremely favorable rate.

f. Costs

It is anticipated that the additional \$350,000 increase will be required in 2013. These costs will impact the General Fund in 2013.

6. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance, groups or individuals who may have concerns about it? Please explain.

No.

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Date: 1/15/2013