



City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: City Attorney's Office

CM/ DCM/ ACM: Mack Reinwand, City Attorney

DATE: July 22, 2025

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a third amendment to an engagement between the City of Denton and Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., amending the engagement approved by the City Attorney on March 28, 2024, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$43,811.00; said third amendment to provide additional legal services for the City of Denton; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8554 – providing for an additional third amendment expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$43,811.00, with the total contract amount not-to-exceed \$243,811.00).

INFORMATION/BACKGROUND

Attorney General, Ken Paxton, sued the City of Denton, as well as Austin, San Marcos, Killeen, and Elgin, for adopting decriminalization ordinances and policies that violate Texas law concerning marijuana possession and distribution.

Following the Council's repeal of Proposition B, a citizen initiative that adopted Chapter 21, Article V, of the City of Denton Code of Ordinances titled "Marijuana" Enforcement, the City of Denton and the State of Texas filed a Joint Notice of Dismissal and Nonsuit with the District Court. On 6/27/25, the District Court signed an Order Confirming Dismissal and Nonsuit ending the State's lawsuit against the City and its officials.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

City Council has been briefed on this matter in numerous Legal Status Reports as well as several Closed Session meetings listed below:

April 16, 2024
June 4, 2024
July 16, 2024
January 14, 2025
May 6, 2025
May 20, 2025

RECOMMENDATION

Award Amendment No. 3 with Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., to provide additional legal services for the City of Denton, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$43,811.00, for a total amended contract amount of \$243,811.00.

FISCAL INFORMATION

These services will be funded from the Risk Retention Fund. Purchase Order #206812 will be revised to include the third amendment amount of \$43,811.00. The total amended amount of this contract is \$243,811.00.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1: Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2: Ordinance

Respectfully submitted:

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