



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT/RECOMMENDATION:

Increase the amount of the contract with Manson Bolves Donaldson Varn for outside counsel representation in Seminole Boat Docks land ownership issues for a not exceed amount of exceed \$25,000, for a new contract total of not to exceed \$75,000, approve the amendment to the Legal Services Agreement increasing the contract amount, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)

SUMMARY:

On March 7, 2019, City Council authorized hiring the law firm of Manson Bolves Donaldson Varn as outside counsel to provide expertise as it relates to water law/submerged lands and act as liaison to the FDEP and other parties as may be necessary to assist in clearing any cloud on title of the lands being developed under the Seminole Street Boat Ramp - North Marina District Improvements Project and approved a Legal Services Agreement for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.

The land ownership issues have proven more complex than originally anticipated and will now require litigation to complete.

In the litigation phase, outside counsel will prepare and file motions for default, prepare and file Motions for Summary Judgement and attend hearing, negotiate and file Final Judgements as needed.

APPROPRIATION CODE AND AMOUNT:

Funds are available in cost code 0109600-530100, Professional Services, to fund this contract.