



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

Analyst: Deb Evison Bell

ECAF: 2023-0082

Proposal: Motion 23-050

Date: February 21, 2023

Consideration:

The proposed motion would authorize the County Executive to sign legal services contract CC02-23 with Hillis Clark Martin and Peterson, P.S. for On-Call Environmental Review, under to SCC 3.04.190.

Background:

Public Works has identified a need for specialized attorney services for environmental review. The county's Prosecuting Attorney's Office is currently not available to provide these services for Public Works. Joyce Ziker Partners, PLLC has been providing environmental review legal services since 2012. Recently, Joyce Ziker Partners, PLLC merged with Hillis Clark Martin and Peterson, P.S.

Council's approval of the Contract for Legal Services will allow Hillis Clark Martin and Peterson, P.S. to continue to provide services for ongoing litigation to the County.

Current Proposal:

Scope: Approval by motion is sought from Council to authorize the County Executive to sign the legal services contract with Hillis Clark Martin and Peterson, P.S.

Duration: The term of this contract is from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2025, unless terminated in accordance with Section X of the contract.

Fiscal Implications: The total amount payable under this agreement shall not exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) without prior written authorization of the County.

2023 Budget: The 2023 Budget includes appropriation authority for the contract.

Future Budget Impacts: Funding for future years will be included in those budgets.

Handling: NORMAL

Approved-as-to-form: YES

Risk Management: APPROVE

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE

Analysis: Consultant contracts and special service contracts not subject to bidding requirements for more than twenty-five thousand dollars shall require council approval, under SCC 3.04.190.

Requests: The requested action is to move GLS on March 1, 2023, for Council to consider taking action.