



## Snohomish County Council

**Committee:** LJHS  
**ECAF:** 21-0329  
**Proposal:** Mot. 21-196

**Analyst:** Heidi Beazizo  
**Date:** June 1, 2021

### **Consideration**

The Executive's Office requests Council consider approving proposed Motion 21-196 which would approve Amendment No. 1 to the 2021 Contract for Legal Services with Harrigan Leyh Farmer & Thomsen LLP.

### **Background**

The original agreement for legal services with Harrigan Leyh Farmer & Thomsen was executed on April 14, 2021 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$50,000. The outside counsel is representing Snohomish County in the civil lawsuit, Civil Survival Project, et al. v. State of Washington et al.

### **Current Proposal**

*Scope:* Motion 21-196 approves Amendment No. 1 to the 2021 contract for legal services with Harrigan Leyh Farmer & Thomsen, LLP.

*Duration:* Unknown

*Fiscal Implications:* Not to exceed \$200,000

**2021 Budget:** YES

**Future Budget Impacts:** Unknown and dependent on ongoing litigation costs

**Handling:** NORMAL.

**Approved-as-to-form:** YES.

**Risk Management:** APPROVE.

**Executive Recommendation:** APPROVE.

**Analysis:** SCC 3.04.140(5) allows for the Prosecuting Attorney to approve \$50,000 in litigation contracts. As the not to exceed amount is increasing, it requires council approval.

**Attachments:** NONE

**Amendments:** NONE

**Request:** Move to GLS on June 16, 2021 for Council to consider taking action.