



Planning and Community Development

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2024-1122

Motion: 24-238

Type:

☒ **Contract**

☐ Board Appt.

☐ Code Amendment

☐ Budget Action

☐ Other

Requested Handling:

☒ **Normal**

☐ Expedite

☐ Urgent

Fund Source:

☐ General Fund

☒ **Other**

☐ N/A

Executive Rec:

☒ **Approve**

☐ Do Not Approve

☐ N/A

Approved as to

Form:

☒ **Yes**

☐ No

☐ N/A

Subject: Contract – Amendment No. 6 for airport legal services.

Scope: Motion 24-238 would authorize the County Executive to sign Amendment No. 6 (Tect aka SE area) to the current Hillis Clark Martin & Peterson, P.S. (HCMP), Agreement for Legal Services.

Duration: Immediately through discharge of professional services.

Fiscal Impact: ☐ Current Year ☒ Multi-Year ☐ N/A

Expenditures	Current Year	2024	2025	2026	2027	Total
410-Prof. Services	\$95,000.00	0	0	0		\$95,000.00
Total's	\$95,000.00	0	0	0	0	\$95,000.00

Revenue	Current Year	2024	2025	2026	2027	Total
410-Fund Balance	\$95,000.00	0	0	0		\$95,000.00
Total's	\$95,000.00	0	0	0	0	\$95,000.00

The current contracted amount is \$275,000.¹ Amendment No. 6 would add \$95,000 compensation, bringing the total not to exceed to \$370,000. The airport has sufficient funds in the current year budget and will plan accordingly.

Authority Granted: Authorization to the County Executive to sign Amendment No. 6.

Background: Long-term tenants of the Snohomish County Airport and other outside entities may have caused or contributed to hazardous waste, substances, pollutants, and contaminants on Airport property in various locations. By previous motions, the County Council authorized the County Executive to sign a legal professional services agreement with HCMP to receive specialized consultation and advice regarding the Airport in various locations. Continuing legal advice from the same attorneys is critical to potential legal action.

Request: Consideration of Motion 24-238 in Committee of the Whole on June 26, 2024.

¹ The original contract for \$25,000 was with Joyce Ziker Partners PLLC (JZP) and did not require Council authorization. Amendment 1 revised the names of the attorneys (the attorneys of JZP joined HCMP and are still providing services to Snohomish County under the agreement). Amendment No. 2 (Motion 20-254) added \$125,000 compensation. Amendment No. 3 (Motion 22-396) added \$30,000 compensation. Amendment No. 4 (Motion 23-088) again revised the names of the attorneys. Amendment No. 5 (Motion 23-366) added \$95,000 compensation.