



Snohomish County Council

Legislation Text

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Executive/Council Action Form (ECAF)

ITEM TITLE:

Motion 22-538, authorizing the County Executive to execute a Mutual Termination of Contract For Legal Services Agreement with Cozen O’Connor and to execute a new contract for legal services with Stokes Lawrence, P.S.

DEPARTMENT: Airport

ORIGINATOR: Nickolis A. Landgraff

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION: Neepaporn Bounjaktha (12/6/22)

PURPOSE: Approval of mutual termination of legal professional services agreement with Cozen O’Connor and new legal professional services agreement with Stokes Lawrence, P.S. to represent the County for runway recovery.

BACKGROUND: .

- By Motion No. 19-211, the Snohomish County Council approved and authorized the County Executive to sign a Contract for Legal Services between Snohomish County and Cozen O’Connor for recovery of damages claims at the Snohomish County Airport.
- The primary attorney representing the County at Cozen O’Connor has changed law firms and requests the existing contract be transferred to his new law firm, Stokes Lawrence, P.S.
- The current law firm Cozen O’Connor agrees to the transfer of the matter to Stokes Lawrence, P.S. and to the mutual termination of its current contract with the County.
- It is in the best interests of the County to mutually terminate the existing Contract for Legal Services with Cozen O’Connor and enter a new Contact for Legal Services with Stokes Lawrence, P.S. to continue with the same attorney representation and upon the same terms as the contract with Cozen O’Connor.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

EXPEND: FUND, AGY, ORG, ACTY, OBJ, AU	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
410.521680.4101 - Professional Services	\$80,000		\$80,000
TOTAL	\$80,000		\$80,000

REVENUE: FUND, AGY, ORG, REV, SOURCE	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS

410.321680.0800 - Fund Balance	\$80,000		\$80,000
TOTAL	\$80,000		\$80,000

DEPARTMENT FISCAL IMPACT NOTES: The Airport has sufficient funding planned in its 2023 budget.

CONTRACT INFORMATION:

ORIGINAL	X	CONTRACT#	Stokes Lawrence, P.S.	AMOUNT	NTE \$80,000
AMENDMENT		CONTRACT#		AMOUNT	

Contract Period

ORIGINAL	START	Effective	END	Indefinite
AMENDMENT	START		END	

OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/COMMENTS: Reviewed/approved by: Risk Management (Sheila Barker 12/6/22) and Finance (Nathan Kennedy 12/6/22)