City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 01/23/24 **M&C FILE NUMBER**: M&C 24-0006

LOG NAME: 12WINSTEADEMPLOYMENT

SUBJECT

(ALL) Adopt Resolution Retaining the Law Firm of Winstead, LLC, in an Amount Up to \$50,000.00, as Outside Counsel for Employment Matters

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution approving the retention of the law firm of Winstead, LLC, in an amount up to \$50,000.00 as outside legal counsel to assist and represent the City in employment matters.

DISCUSSION:

From time to time the City of Fort Worth (City) is in need of short-term assistance on legal issues for employment matters for which it is necessary to seek outside legal counsel with expertise in employment law. The City desires that the law firm of Winstead LLC be retained to assist and represent the City in employment matters where such outside legal counsel is needed.

Legal fees are requested in an amount up to \$50,000.00.

Funding is budgeted in the Risk Financing Fund for the Human Resources Department.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the recommendation, funds are available in the current operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the Risk Financing Fund. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Human Resources Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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