

A Resolution

NO. _____

AUTHORIZING CONTINUANCE OF THE HIRING OF GRETA COWART, AS OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL, TO ASSIST THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN ADVISING THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT ON ISSUES RELATED TO EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS PLANS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF COUNSEL FEES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00.

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Worth ("City") periodically requires legal advice regarding its employee and retiree health and welfare benefit plan services, including legal advice with regards to the City's compliance with applicable federal and state laws relating to healthcare benefits;

WHEREAS, applicable state and federal laws include employer-mandated coverage and reporting requirements that affect municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Greta Cowart has special competency in the areas of health care, trust administration, and tax related issues, and regularly assists municipalities with maintaining regulatory compliance, and has agreed to assist the City with these issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS, THAT:

1. The City is authorized to continue to retain Greta Cowart, as outside counsel, under Chapter VI, Section 3 of the City Charter, to provide legal services related to the City's employee and retiree health and welfare benefit matters; and

2. The City is authorized to pay legal fees to Greta Cowart in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2022.

ATTEST:

By: _____
Jannette S. Goodall, City Secretary