



City of Broken Arrow

Request for Action

File #: 18-810, **Version:** 1

Broken Arrow City Council
Meeting of: 07-17-2018

Title:

Approval of and authorization to execute a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Broken Arrow and Latham, Stall, Wagner, Steele, & Lehman, Attorneys at Law for providing counsel and legal advice regarding workers compensation

Background:

Leah Keele is a well-respected attorney with vast knowledge and experience involving workers comp. The Acting City Attorney is recommending retention of this firm to provide counsel and legal advice to the City regarding workers compensation issues. Retention is recommended due to the firm's expertise in workers compensation.

The attached Professional Services Agreement memorializes retention of the firm, costs and the hourly rates to be charged. The firm charges the following rates:

Partners: \$150.00 per hr. maximum
Associates: \$125.00 per hr. maximum

Routine costs such as copying and postage are addressed in the Agreement. Costs and fees for this matter are capped at \$100,000.00 and it will expire June 30, 2019.

Cost: Not to Exceed \$100,000.00

Funding Source: Workers Compensation Fund

Requested By: Trevor Dennis, Acting City Attorney

Approved By: Michael L. Spurgeon, City Manager

Attachments: Professional Services Agreement

Recommendation:

Approve the Professional Services Agreement with Latham, Stall, Wagner, Steele, & Lehman and authorize its execution.