



City of Broken Arrow

Request for Action

File #: 19-838, Version: 1

**Broken Arrow City Council
Meeting of: 07-16-2019**

Title:

Approval of and authorization to execute a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Broken Arrow and Doerner, Saunders, Daniel & Anderson, L.L.P. for providing counsel and legal advice regarding employment, labor issues and to review daily court filings

Background:

Kristen Brightmire with the law firm of Doerner, Saunders, Daniel & Anderson, L.L.P. is a well-respected attorney with vast legal knowledge and experience involving labor and employment law. The Human Resource Director is recommending that the Council engage this firm to provide counsel and legal advice to the Human Resource Director on employment and labor issues. The Acting City Attorney is recommending retention of this firm due to the press of business and the firm's expertise in employment and labor law.

The attached Professional Services Agreement memorializes retention of the firm, costs and the hourly rates to be charged. The firm charges \$330.00 per hour for work completed by partners, \$210.00 per hour for associates, and \$140.00 per hour for paralegals. 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 on June 30, 2020.

Cost: Not to exceed \$100,000.00

Funding Source: General Fund General Government

Requested By: Trevor Dennis, City Attorney

Approved By: City Manager's Office

Attachments: Professional Service Agreement

Recommendation:

Approve the Professional Services Agreement with Doerner, Saunders, Daniel & Anderson, L.L.P. and authorize its execution.