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Item # 7

To: Lemoore City Council
From: Jeff Britz, City Manager
Date: September 29, 2006
Subject: City Attorney Appointment

Discussion:

As the Council is well aware, Dale Bacigalupi, our City Attorney for the past 20 years, has submitted his resignation. In response, the Council directed staff to issue a request for proposals for City Attorney services. In total, six proposals were received and evaluated. After much discussion, interviews, and background reviews, the Council directed staff to negotiate an agreement (attached) with the firm of Dowling, Aaron and Keeler to represent the City. It is suggested that the effective date for the new agreement be November 1, 2006.

Should the Council approve the agreement, Hilda Cantu Montoy will be Lemoore's new City Attorney. Ms. Montoy will be in attendance Tuesday evening to answer any questions you may have concerning her firm's ability to perform the required duties.

Budget Impact:

The contract pays the firm \$450 for attendance at each City Council and Planning Commission Meeting, and \$150 per hour for most other services. Each department that utilizes City Attorney services budget and pay for said services.

Recommendation:

That the Council, by motion, approve the attached agreement.