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**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE**  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING

#14-0475

**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the  
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM:** Cynthia A. Everett, City Attorney *CAE*

**DATE:** April 1, 2014

**TITLE:** Resolution approving the selection of Special Counsel

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt the attached resolution approving the selection of Brinkley, Morgan, Solomon, Tatum, Stanley, Lunny & Gordon, LLP at the rates specified below to serve as special counsel to the City regarding tax issues.

**Background**

The City requires special counsel to address all tax related issues. Brinkley, Morgan, Solomon, Tatum, Stanley, Lunny & Gordon, LLP will be retained as special counsel to the City of Fort Lauderdale at the rate of \$300.00 per hour for firm partners; and \$85 - \$105 per hour for firm paralegals and law clerks, plus actual reasonable expenses subject to the City Attorney's approval, for tax related matters, effective April 1, 2014.

**Resource Impact**

<i>Funds available as of</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
001-GEN050101-3119	Other General Gov't. – Human Resources	Services – Materials/Legal Services	\$417,698	\$305,520	\$50,000
<b>PURCHASE TOTAL ►</b>					<b>\$50,000</b>

Attachment:  
Exhibit 1 – Resolution  
Prepared by: Diansjhan Williams-Persad, Assistant City Attorney  
Charter Officer: Cynthia A. Everett, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 14-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING THE LAW FIRM OF BRINKLEY, MORGAN, SOLOMON, TATUM, STANLEY, LUNNY & GORDON, LLP, AS SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR TAX ISSUES.

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WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to appoint the law firm of Brinkley, Morgan, Solomon, Tatum, Stanley, Lunny & Gordon, LLP, as special counsel for the City on tax related matters; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That the law firm of Brinkley, Morgan, Solomon, Tatum, Stanley, Lunny & Gordon, LLP, is hereby appointed as special counsel to the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, for tax issues; and

SECTION 2. That such Special Counsel shall be compensated for such services at the hourly rates (plus costs) of \$300.00 per hour for firm partners and \$85-\$105 for firm paralegals and law clerks, to be paid upon periodic invoices submitted and upon approval by the City Attorney.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon final passage.

ADOPTED this the \_\_\_\_ day of April, 2014.

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Mayor  
JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:

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