

### CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE: OCTOBER 9, 2024

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

FROM: KINDON MEIK, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AMENDED AGREEMENT FOR OUTSIDE COUNSEL LEGAL

SERVICES WITH COLANTUONO, HIGHSMITH& WHATLEY, PC

MEETING

**DATE:** OCTOBER 23, 2024

#### SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:

Approve amended outside counsel legal services agreement with Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC, for legal services during the City Attorney transition and thereafter as requested.

#### BACKGROUND:

The law firm of Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC has provided general legal services to the City of Calabasas since 2004. After completing a request for proposals process, the City has determined to amend its legal services agreement with the firm to reflect designation of a different law firm as City Attorney and to retain Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC as outside counsel to provide legal services as requested by the City Council, City Manager, and new City Attorney.

### FISCAL IMPACT/SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Outside counsel legal services will be utilized on an as needed basis. The costs for such services is unknown at this time. Staff will return to the City Council with a

proposed General Fund budget amendment at the beginning of the calendar year after determining an average monthly estimate of the proposed legal services.

# **REQUESTED ACTION:**

Approve the amended legal services agreement with Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC.

## **ATTACHMENT:**

A. Amended Legal Services Agreement