



COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION

COURT ORDER NUMBER _____

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DATE: 6/3/2025

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR OUTSIDE COUNSEL TAYLOR, OLSEN, ADKIN, SRALLA & ELAM FOR LITIGATION EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.00 FOR THE DEFENSE OF FORMER TARRANT COUNTY EMPLOYEE JOHNATHAN NYMOEN IN A LAWSUIT ENTITLED ANTHONY R. JOHNSON, SR., ET AL. V. TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS, ET AL., ACTION NO. 4:24-CV-686

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that Commissioners Court consider approving additional funding in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the firm Taylor, Olsen, Adkins, Sralla & Elam.as outside counsel for the defense of former Tarrant County employee Johnathan Nymoen in a lawsuit entitled Anthony R. Johnson, Sr., et al. v. Tarrant County, Texas, et al., Action No. 4:24-cv-686.

BACKGROUND

On September 4, 2024, the Commissioners Court through Court Order #143775, entered into an employment agreement engaging Tammy Ardolf with Taylor, Olson, Adkins, Sralla & Elam, LLP for legal representation related to Johnson, et al. v. Tarrant County, Texas, et al. for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00.

The law firm has currently billed more than the initial \$30,000.00 for the representation of former Tarrant County employee Johnathan Nymoen. The Criminal District Attorney's office is requesting additional funding for litigation expenses in the amount of \$15,000.00. Tarrant County may terminate the engagement of Taylor, Olsen, Adkins, Sralla & Elaam. law firm at any time and for any reason.

With approval of this action, former Tarrant County employee Johnathan Nymoen will continue to have representation in this lawsuit.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact to date is \$30,486.89; however, the law firm is to use all reasonable means to resolve this matter at an additional cost of no more than \$15,000.00, not to exceed a total cost of \$45,486.89, subject to further court approval. Funding is available in account 61500-2025 Self-Insurance Fund/1912000000 Self Insurance/585071 Litigation Expense.

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