



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Human Resources

Date: October 2, 2006

To: Council Member Paul Ostrow
Chair, Ways & Means Committee

Prepared by: Pam French, Human Resources Director

Approved by: _____
Pamela French
HR Director

Steven Bosacker
City Coordinator

Subject: Increase amount of Parker Rosen Law Firm Contract # C-23271

Presenters in Committee: Pam French

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

No financial impact or Action is within current budget.

- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Other financial impact (Explain):

Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the
Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information -

In March 2006, a complaint was filed with the Human Resources Department against Chief Bleskachek, alleging that she violated the City of Minneapolis' Respect in the Workplace Policy. In response, the Human Resources Department entered into a contract with the law firm of Parker-Rosen to conduct the investigation in this matter. During the course of this investigation there were

additional matters that were brought to our attention which required a separate investigation. Consequently, we entered into another contract with the Parker-Rosen law firm to investigate these matters.

The amount of the contract was initially established to not exceed \$49,999.00; it has now been determined that this amount is insufficient and the Department of Human Resources respectfully requests that the contract amount be increased to not exceed \$125,000.00.