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**ITEM TITLE:**

Consider renewing the professional services agreement with James C. Ferguson of Walker, Ferguson and Ferguson for the defense of Workers' Compensation claims, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Agreement.

**INITIATOR:** City Attorney - John Ratliff

**STAFF INFORMATION SOURCE:** City Attorney - John Ratliff, Deputy City Attorney Tim Wilson

**BACKGROUND:** The City Attorney's office wishes to renew the Agreement with Mr. James C. Ferguson of Walker, Ferguson and Ferguson to handle the defense of the City's Workers' Compensation claims. Walker, Ferguson and Ferguson has been handling the City's Workers' Compensation claims since July 1, 1994. The current agreement expires June 30, 2021. Mr. Ferguson's billing rate will be One Hundred Twenty-Five and No/100 dollars (\$125.00) per hour. The City Attorney's office has been very satisfied with the work of Mr. Ferguson and highly recommends that his services continue to be retained.

**EXHIBIT:** Proposed Retainer Agreement for Professional & Legal Services

**KEY ISSUES:** N/A

**FUNDING SOURCE:** Legal Services, Professional Services Account

**STAFF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:** Approve the Retainer Agreement for Professional & Legal Services with James C. Ferguson for the defense of workers' compensation claims, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement.