



AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
City Council
Meeting of: August 2, 2023

Agenda Item No.:
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DEPARTMENT: City Attorney
DIRECTOR: Bryan K. Scott

CONSENT

SUBJECT:

For possible action to approve continued funding in an amount not to exceed \$1.5 million in FY24 for Leonard Law, McDonald Carano, and Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger to represent the City of Las Vegas in all matters arising in the Badlands litigation, which involves the former Badlands Golf Course generally located south of Alta Drive, east of Hualapai Way, and north of Charleston Boulevard (General Fund) - Ward 2 (Seaman)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Budget Funds Available
Amount: Not to Exceed \$1,500,000
Funding Source: General Fund
Dept./Division: City Attorney

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

180 Land Company, LLC and Fore Stars, Ltd., have filed multiple lawsuits against the City stemming from requests to redevelop portions of the former Badlands golf course. The cases have now progressed to various stages, including the discovery phase, pre-trial, and review on appeal. In these matters, the City is represented by the City Attorney's Office and three retained, outside law firms: Leonard Law (Reno), McDonald Carano (Las Vegas), and Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger (San Francisco). The City Council approved \$1.5 million for Badlands outside counsel in the FY24 budget at its May 17, 2023 meeting. This item is to approve the disbursement of that \$1.5 million by the Department of Finance to the three retained outside law firms, as needed, based upon periodic engagement letters from the outside law firms sent to the City Attorney's Office, reviewed by the City Attorney's Office, and signed by the City Manager.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

None