



# City of Austin

## Recommendation for Action

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of a legal services agreement with Denton Navarro Rodriguez Bernal Santee & Zech, P.C. for 2024 labor contract negotiations with the Austin Police Association in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.

### **Lead Department**

Law Department.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Management Services Department's Operating Budget.

### **For More Information:**

Chris Coppola, Division Chief, Law Department (512) 974-2161.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

The City retained the law firm of Denton Navarro Rocha Bernal & Zech (Denton Navarro) in 2021 to represent the City in its public safety labor contract negotiations, including negotiations with the Austin Police Association (Association).

The City anticipates that negotiations with the Association will take place in 2024. The proposed contract is to engage Denton Navarro, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000, to represent the City in the 2024 contract negotiations with the Association.

Denton Navarro has provided legal representation to the City on labor contract matters in the past. The firm handles such matters on behalf of local governments throughout Texas and is highly knowledgeable and experienced in these matters.