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(ITEM) From Corporation Counsel, requesting authorization to increase an existing Professional Services Agreement by \$75,000, from \$425,000 to an accumulated total of \$500,000, with Buelow Vetter Buikema Olson & Vliet LLC for legal representation in labor relations matters, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County (the County) has required and will continue to require the assistance of private counsel with specialized knowledge and experience in the area of municipal labor relations law to advise and represent the County in selected labor relations matters involving the County; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) initially approved a contract with Buelow Vetter Buikema Olson & Vliet LLC (Buelow Vetter) on September 30, 2010, (Adopted File No. 10-294) for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, the County Board previously approved amendments to the contract amount, with the last amendment being approved on December 19, 2013, to authorize an additional \$50,000; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Corporation Counsel continues to request assistance from Buelow Vetter with respect to various litigation matters, particularly involving the public safety worker unions; and

WHEREAS, Corporation Counsel requests an additional \$75,000 to continue to obtain these services; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in the 2015 Litigation Reserve account, Org. Unit 1961, for the additional amount described in this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of September 17, 2015, recommended adoption of Corporation Counsel’s request (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes an amendment to the contract with Buelow Vetter Buikema Olson & Vliet LLC in the amount of \$75,000, from \$425,000 to a total amount not to exceed \$500,000, for payment of continuing legal services, utilizing funds in the 2015 Litigation Reserve account, Org. Unit 1961.