INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

DATE:

June 9, 2014

TO:

Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Paul Bargren, Corporation Counsel

Mark A. Grady, Deputy Corporation Counsel MA6

SUBJECT:

Contract Amendment for Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren S.C.

It is requested that this contract amendment be referred to the Committee on Finance, Personnel and Audit. Pursuant to §59.52(31)(b)(1), Stats., the County Executive has signed an amendment to this contract on June 5, 2014, authorizing an additional sum of \$35,000, for a total contract sum of \$225,000. The contract amendment will take effect unless the Committee takes action to reject or affirm the contract within 14 days of this memo.

In October of 2012, Corporation Counsel executed a contract with Reinhart, Boerner, Van Deuren S.C. ("Reinhart") for legal representation of Milwaukee County related to the Downtown Transit Center and the potential Couture development. The contract was for up to \$40,000. On February 7, 2013, the County Board approved an amendment to that contract (File No. 13-152) for an additional \$100,000, for a total of \$140,000. In January of 2014, the County Executive executed a contract amendment for an additional \$50,000, for a total of \$190,000, which was submitted to the Committee for passive review. On January 30, 2014, the amendment went into effect when the Committee took no action on it.

Authorized funds under the contract have been expended. Legal services are required to continue the work related to this project. The funds will be allocated from the 2014 Litigation Reserve Account, Org. Unit 1961.

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