

From the Milwaukee County Comptroller, Office of the Comptroller, requesting authorization to execute a Professional Services Contract with Quarles & Brady LLP, to provide bond counsel services, for the period effective January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2021, with three one-year extension options, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2018, the Procurement Division, Department of Administrative Services, issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on behalf of the Office of the Comptroller (Comptroller); and

WHEREAS, the RFP anticipated entering into a three-year Professional Services Contract with three additional one-year options; and

WHEREAS, the RFP was advertised in the Daily Reporter, and noticed via Milwaukee County's (the County) E-Notify system, and among those 72 law firms registered with Bonfire, the County's public procurement portal; and

WHEREAS, three responses were received in response to the RFP; and

WHEREAS, an evaluation panel reviewed and scored the proposals; and

WHEREAS, the evaluation panel reached a consensus that the highest scored proposal from Quarles & Brady LLP (Quarles & Brady), should be selected as the winning bidder; and

WHEREAS, Crump Law Firm (Crump), a certified Targeted Business Enterprise (TBE), will serve as co-bond counsel; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Comptroller to enter into a Professional Services Contract with Quarles & Brady to provide bond counsel services for a three-year term beginning on January 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Professional Services Contract will also include three additional one-year options; and

WHEREAS, the fees for bond counsel will be paid on an hourly basis; and

WHEREAS, the hourly fee for the primary attorney from Quarles & Brady is \$425 per hour; and

WHEREAS, the hourly fee for the primary attorney from Crump is \$320 per hour;
and

WHEREAS, the total expenses related to bond issuances done in 2019-2021 will
depend upon the number and complexity of the bond issues; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that total annual bond counsel expenses, including
the TBE fees, will range from \$200,000 to \$450,000 during the period of the contract;
and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of December 6,
2018, recommended adoption of File No. 18-882 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approves the
Professional Services Contract with Quarles & Brady LLP, to provide bond counsel
services for the period effective January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2021, with
three one-year extension options; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Comptroller, County
Executive, Department of Administrative Services, and Corporation Counsel are
authorized to execute the Professional Services Contract referenced in this resolution.

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