

JOINT RESOLUTION

**JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING COMPREHENSIVE
RETAINER AGREEMENT BETWEEN OKLAHOMA CITY
MUNICIPAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY AND THE FIRM OF
GARY J. JAMES & ASSOCIATES FOR LEGAL DEFENSE OF
CITY EMPLOYEES, NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 FROM JULY 1,
2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025.**

WHEREAS, on March 24, 1987, the City Council adopted a policy which recognized the potential conflict of interest between The City and its employees which arises in certain litigation when the employees are sued for punitive damages or an actual conflict of interest arises between the employee and The City, and directed that a City employee, who is entitled to legal counsel by The City, shall be permitted to select outside counsel to be retained on his/her behalf; and

WHEREAS, on this date, the Oklahoma City Municipal Facilities Authority has adopted a resolution which authorizes the OCMFA to administer such agreements; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma City Municipal Facilities Authority desires to enter into a retainer agreement with the firm of Gary J. James & Associates for defense of City employees; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Oklahoma City approve the Oklahoma City Municipal Facilities Authority's entering into retainer agreements with this firm;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of The City of Oklahoma City and the Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma City Municipal Facilities Authority that the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute an agreement for the legal defense of the City's employees with the firm of Gary J. James & Associates, not to exceed \$50,000 from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

ADOPTED by the Council and **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Oklahoma

City this 2ND day of JULY, 2024.

ATTEST:

THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY

Amy K. Simpson
CITY CLERK



Burhan Peak
VICE MAYOR

ADOPTED by the Trustees and **APPROVED** by the Chairman of the Oklahoma City Municipal Facilities Authority this 2ND day of JULY, 2024.

ATTEST:

OKLAHOMA CITY MUNICIPAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY

Amy K. Simpson
SECRETARY



Burhan Peak
VICE CHAIRMAN

REVIEWED for form and legality.

Sherril Katz
Assistant Municipal Counselor