

JOINT RESOLUTION

JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COLLINS, ZORN & WAGNER, P.C. TO REPRESENT MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE THOMAS VANNORT IN THE CASE OF *SINCERE TERRY, ET AL. V. THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY, ET AL.*, UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA CASE NO. CIV-22-522-C.

WHEREAS, Oklahoma City Police Officer Thomas Vannort was employed by the City of Oklahoma City at all times material to the case in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma, Case Number CIV-22-522-C, styled *Sincere Terry, et al. v. The City of Oklahoma City, et al.*; and,

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs are seeking to recover damages from the Defendant Officer for allegedly violating certain civil rights of the Plaintiffs by his actions on or around June 23, 2020.

WHEREAS, the Defendant Officer has requested that the City provide legal representation on his behalf; and,

WHEREAS, there exists a potential conflict of interest between the City and this employee if Plaintiffs are able to prove her allegations; and,

WHEREAS, this officer has requested that the City retain Collins, Zorn & Wagner, P.C. to represent him in this lawsuit; and,

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma City Municipal Facilities Authority has entered into a Comprehensive Retainer Agreement with Collins, Zorn & Wagner, P.C. to provide legal services on behalf of Oklahoma City Police Officers in these circumstances.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY AND THE OKLAHOMA CITY MUNICIPAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY that Collins, Zorn & Wagner, P.C. is hereby retained as legal counsel on behalf of City employee Thomas Vannort, in the above-referenced case pursuant to the terms and conditions of their Agreement reserving unto the City

further rights of indemnification as to the payment of any demands, claims or attorney fees, both in their defense or the plaintiff's prosecution of this case or judgment, resulting from this litigation as provided by 11 O.S. § 23-102, 51 O.S. §§ 153, 162, and Oklahoma City Municipal Code §§ 2-321 through 2-325, inclusive, from these officers if it should be determined or decided by the Court or a jury or by the City Council of the City of Oklahoma City that the officer was acting outside the course and scope of his or her employment with the City of Oklahoma City.

ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY this 16th day of August, 2022.

ATTEST:

Amy K. Simpson
City Clerk

 THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY

[Signature]
VICE-Mayor

ADOPTED BY THE TRUSTEES AND APPROVED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE OKLAHOMA CITY MUNICIPAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY this 16th day of August, 2022.

ATTEST:

Amy K. Simpson
Secretary

 OKLAHOMA CITY MUNICIPAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY

David Holt
Chairman

REVIEWED as to form and legality.

Gherri Katz
Assistant Municipal Counselor