



COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER

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DATE: 03/17/2020

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL OF THE ATTORNEY EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT
ENGAGING OUTSIDE COUNSEL RE: DEFENSE OF TARRANT COUNTY
EMPLOYEE IN A LAWSUIT ENTITLED FOSTER V. TARRANT COUNTY,
ET AL.**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED:

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the Attorney Employment Agreement engaging the Law Office of Kenneth E. East as outside counsel for a Tarrant County employee with regard to the lawsuit filed by Antonio Foster.

BACKGROUND:

Tarrant County and its employee Sgt. J. Arroyo have been sued in an inmate civil rights case. Pursuant to Loc. Gov't Code Section 157.901, it is necessary for outside counsel to be employed to represent Sgt. Arroyo in the lawsuit entitled *Antonio J. Foster v. Tarrant County, et al.*, Civil Action No. 4:20-CV-113-A in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact associated with this action is unknown at this time, however, the law firm is to use all reasonable means to resolve this matter at a total cost of no more than \$30,000.00, subject to further court approval.

SUBMITTED BY: Criminal District Attorney's Office

PREPARED BY: Christopher L. Taylor

APPROVED BY: