

RESOLUTION NO. 23-23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HARRIS COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY'S NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HARRIS COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Harris County Attorney's Office (HCAO) provides legal services to multiple departments and agencies within Harris County; and

WHEREAS, Harris County Housing Authority (HCHA) is authorized to contract for legal services from HCAO pursuant to Section 392.040(b) of the Texas Local Government Code and Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code; and

WHEREAS, since May 18, 2015, HCHA and Harris County have executed multiple Legal Services Agreements under which HCAO provides legal services to HCHA; and

WHEREAS, the current Legal Services Agreement expires on May 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, HCHA desires to continue receiving legal services from HCAO; and

WHEREAS, HCAO desires to continue providing legal services to HCHA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that HCHA's Board of Commissioners authorizes its Acting Executive Director or Executive Director to negotiate and execute a new Legal Services Agreement with Harris County for legal services to be provided by HCAO, the terms of which are to include General Counsel services at an annual rate of not more than \$175,000.00, paid in monthly increments, and legal services for litigation to be paid at a rate of not more than \$300.00 per hour, with all other terms to be substantially the same as those in the draft Legal Services Agreement attached to this resolution.

PASSED by the Board of Commissioners this 17th day of May 2023.

Chair:

Acting Secretary:

Attachment: Draft Legal Services Agreement