



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Andy Quittner, City Attorney
Date: November 28, 2016
Subject: Resolution to approve a letter of engagement with Jim Frost

The Resolution under consideration is to hire Mr. Frost to perform legal services for the acquisition of easements. These easements will be used by the SSLGC for the new parallel pipeline project that was approved in September.

In building this pipeline some new easements must be obtained. The SSLGC does not have condemnation or eminent domain authority; therefore, the two member cities use their respective authority on behalf of the SSLGC. After the easements have been purchased, they are transferred to the SSLGC. The same procedure was used when the original pipeline was built.

Mr. Frost's law firm performed the work on the original pipeline. Since many of the easements needed for the new line will involve the same property owners Mr. Frost has familiarity with the owners; therefore, using Mr. Frost is the most cost effective means for this portion of the project.

Please also note that all costs incurred by the City will be reimbursed by the SSLGC.