RESOLUTION NO. 1722

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL TO INVESTIGATE SEVENTY-FIVE ETHICS COMPLAINTS FILED IN SEPTEMBER 2006

WHEREAS, Section 9.1 of the Home Rule Charter authorizes City Council to appoint special counsel; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated August 29, 2006, Marian L. Olson filed approximately seventy-five complaints pursuant to Section 2.32.130 of the Golden Municipal Code alleging violations of the Golden Municipal Code by current and former members of the Golden City Council and persons currently or formerly employed by the City of Golden; and

WHEREAS, because the complaints assert violations by the City Attorney and City Manager, it would inappropriate for either to investigate the complaints, and it is therefore necessary to appoint special counsel; and

WHEREAS, by Agreement dated October 18, 2006 between the City and Murray, Dahl, Kuechenmeister & Renaud (the "Law Firm"), the City retained the Law Firm as special counsel for the purpose of conducting a preliminary review of the approximately seventy-five pending ethics complaints, provide an estimate of the time and cost of investigating and making recommendations for the resolution of these complaints pursuant to section 2.32 of the Golden Municipal code and make a recommendation regarding the appropriate procedure that the City should follow in responding to the complaints; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Agreement the Law Firm provided a written report recommending that City Council appoint special counsel for the purpose of conducting an investigation and making the recommendation to Council as to the appropriate action; and

WHEREAS, City Council now wishes to extend the scope of the Agreement with the Law Firm and to appoint the Law Firm as special counsel for the purpose of investigating complaints, and to establish compensation for such special counsel.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO:

As provided by Section 9.1 of the City of Golden's Home Rule Charter, Council does hereby appoint Gerald A. Dahl of Murray, Dahl, Kuechenmeister & Renaud, LLP., as special counsel under Code §2-32-130 of the Golden Municipal Code to conduct an investigation upon the 75 complaints filed by Marian L. Olson on September 1, 2006 and make recommendations to the Council for action and/or to take appropriate action under law. Compensation for such special counsel is authorized at \$200.00 per hour.

Adopted this 9th day of November, 2006.

Charles J. Baroch

Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan M. Brooks, MMC

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

William P. Hayashi

Assistant City Attorney

I, Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City of Golden, Colorado, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a certain Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Golden, Colorado at a regular meeting thereof held on the 9th day of November, A.D., 2006.

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ATTEST:

Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City of

Golden, Colorado