RESOLUTION NO. R15-97

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A SPECIAL **COUNSEL CONTRACT WITH THOMPSON PAINTER LAW FOR THE PROVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES IN ALL MATTERS RELATING TO THE CITY'S EFFORT TO SECURE RIGHTS-OF-WAY OVER PRIVATELY OWNED** PROPERTIES FOR THE CITY'S NEW WATER INTAKE PROJECT.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana:

Section 1: Approval. The contract negotiated between the City of Laurel and Thompson Painter Law is accepted and approved. A copy is attached hereto for convenience.

Section 2: Execution. The Mayor and City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Laurel are hereby given authority to accept and execute said agreement on behalf of the City.

Section 3: Effective date. The effective date for the attached contract is hereby approved upon approval by the City Council.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on September 1, 2015, by Council Member Stokes

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel this 1st day of September, 2015.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 1st day of September, 2015.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mark A. Mace, Mayor

ATTEST: Shirley Ewan, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved as to form: Sam S. Painter, Civil City Attorney

SPECIAL COUNSEL CONTRACT

The City of Laurel, hereinafter "Client" hereby retains Thompson Painter Law P.C. hereinafter ("Attorneys") to represent the City in all matters relating to the City's effort to secure rights-of-way over privately owned properties for the City's new water intake project, including all proceedings taken pursuant to Title 70, Chapter 30 of the Montana Code Annotated.

FEES: Client agrees to pay Attorneys \$200.00 per hour for services performed under this Contract. In addition, Client agrees to pay the Attorneys all costs incurred during the representation for Client. Attorneys agree to provide Client a detailed bill itemizing services rendered and costs incurred each and every month. Client agrees to pay Attorneys each and every month for services rendered and costs incurred.

COSTS: Costs are defined as all filing fees, research costs, court costs, subpoena costs, and photocopying charges, depositions, court report charges, expert witness fees and any other disbursements or expenses incurred by Attorneys in preparing documents during the representation of Client. These costs may be billed monthly by Attorneys and, if unpaid, shall bear interest at the rate of one percent (1%) per month.

DATED this 1st day of September, 2015.

Mark A. Mace, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shirley Ewan, Clerk/Treasurer

ACCEPTED AND AGREED:

Thompson Painter Law PC 176 South 32nd Street West, Suite 4 Billings, Montana 59102-6867