

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR  
DEFENSE COUNSEL FOR POLICE SGT. TROY EDWARDS,  
CHRISTOPHER SYLVESTER, and ANDRE CRAWFORD, IN THE  
MATTER OF TAHEEM W. MUSLIM, YOLANDA SISTRUNK, et als. v.  
CITY OF PLAINFIELD, PLAINFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT, et als.,  
DOCKET NO. UNN-L-004469-07**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council by Resolutions R123-08 adopted February 21, 2008, R423-08 adopted October 6, 2008 and R312-09 adopted July 20, 2009, authorized legal defense for police personnel in an amount not to exceed Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) for each defendant, in a complaint filed against him/them; AND

**WHEREAS**, the services to be performed consist of professional services within the definition of the Local Public Contracts Law of the State of New Jersey, which are within the exceptions from competitive bidding provided for in the Local Public Contracts Law; AND

**WHEREAS**, extensive legal proceedings have been required, and are expected to continue to bring this litigation to conclusion; and counsel has requested an additional appropriation in the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) to cover the services rendered on behalf of the defendant police officers; AND

**WHEREAS**, there is sufficient funding for this appropriation from Corporation Counsel's Budget Code 0-01-20-155-001, Line Item 272, as evidenced by the City Finance Officer's Certificate attached hereto;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Plainfield, New Jersey that:

1. Resolutions R-123-08, R423-08 and R312-09 are hereby amended to provide for an additional appropriations in the sum of \$15,000.00 for the defense of Sgt. Troy Edwards, Officers Christopher Sylvester and Andre Crawford, and the Agreements, be and the same are hereby amended accordingly as follows:
  - \$5,000.00 to Edward Kologi, Esq., for defense of Sgt. Troy Edwards
  - \$5,000.00 to Mitzner & Mitzner, P.A. for defense of P.O. Christopher Sylvester
  - \$5,000.00 to Palumbo & Renaud for defense of P.O. Andre Crawford.
2. Funding shall be paid from Corporation Counsel's FY 2010 Budget 0-01-20-155-001-272.
3. A copy of this resolution, together with Resolutions R123-08, R423-08 and R312-09 shall be filed in the Office of the City Clerk as one document.

Adopted by the City Council

November 16, 2009

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Laddie Wyatt, City Clerk