



**CITY OF PLANO
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

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<input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory					
Council Meeting Date:		2/24/14			
Department:		Legal			
Department Head		Paige Mims			
Agenda Coordinator (include phone #): Betsy Allen - 7545					
CAPTION					
A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Plano, Texas, appointing James D. Shields and Lori A. Leu, licensed attorneys, to serve a two year term as ethics investigators as required by Section 2-104 of the Code of Conduct of the City of Plano; and providing an effective date.					
FINANCIAL SUMMARY					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT APPLICABLE <input type="checkbox"/> OPERATING EXPENSE <input type="checkbox"/> REVENUE <input type="checkbox"/> CIP					
FISCAL YEAR:	2013-14 through 2015-16	Prior Year (CIP Only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Budget		0	0	0	0
Encumbered/Expended Amount		0	0	0	0
This Item		0	0	0	0
BALANCE		0	0	0	0
FUND(S): N/A					
COMMENTS: This item has no fiscal impact.					
STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Appointing ethics investigators relates to the City's goal of Financially Strong City with Service Excellence.					
SUMMARY OF ITEM					
This Resolution approves the appointment of James D. Shields and Lori A. Leu, licensed attorneys, to serve as ethics investigators as required by the Code of Conduct in the event the Council deems a full investigation is required. Mr. Shields and Ms. Leu have been previously appointed and are willing to be reappointed.					
List of Supporting Documents: See attached Resolution			Other Departments, Boards, Commissions or Agencies n/a		



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James D. Shields, Principal

After more than three decades practicing commercial business litigation and representing financial institutions and intermediaries, I have come to the conclusion that **it is not just what you know, but how you apply it.** Strategic planning, creative problem solving and a deep understanding of business in general and yours in particular are the pillars of my unique professional services.

Good legal representation is expected; great legal counsel is uncommon.

My goal is to provide you with great legal counsel, specifically tailored to your business needs. I have personal experience as a successful entrepreneur, business owner and investor. **I understand the pressures you face as a business owner or high-level executive making the tough decisions to grow your business.**



I can help you: manage conflict, prepare for risk as options are evaluated, and create resolution plans with defined goals and accountability.

From my own experience, **companies have two main objectives: to grow their revenue and increase shareholder value.** But how do you accomplish those objectives? Strategic growth in the midst of an uncertain political and economic environment can be very difficult. Industry pressure points, governmental regulations and the lack of long term stability can cause the toughest CEO to have sleepless nights.

Success in business requires many talents, but there is a fundamental truth - **experience enhances the opportunity for success in any business.** Wouldn't it be better to build a team of experienced advisors who understand the difficulties you face and can provide you with strategic solutions that fit your needs?

In short, I want to be your legal Trusted Advisor.

What is a Trusted Advisor? Here are just a few key descriptors:

- A Trusted Advisor is an experienced lawyer who also **understands your business model.**
- A Trusted Advisor is an **expert strategist** who evaluates your legal matters from a businessman's perspective;
- A Trusted Advisor **integrates legal solutions with your business objectives.**

Providing great legal counsel embraces the Trusted Advisor role.

It also embodies the core values that are evident in our work product: trust, integrity, valued relationships and business insight.

I formed Shields Legal Group based on these same values with the expectation of providing great legal services and value. I have carefully selected seasoned attorneys with business backgrounds who agree with **my philosophy of providing superior legal advice integrated with your business needs.**

Each SLG attorney is tasked with becoming the client's Trusted Advisor.

Please let me know how I may help your business grow and increase shareholder value. I can be reached at jshields@shieldslegal.com

Your Needs. Our Approach. Your Business is our Priority.

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Lori A. Leu / Attorney



Growing up in a small town in Kansas, strong values and ties to the community were instilled in Lori Leu from the start. After practicing as a civil litigation attorney for more than 20 years, Lori longed to focus on a practice area that would more directly benefit members of the community in which she lives. While searching for direction, Lori was approached by family members with questions regarding elder law issues. She then realized that assisting individuals who most need advice, especially when faced with confusing and sometimes overwhelming issues, was the calling she was seeking. As a result, Lori changed her practice to focus on legal issues affecting seniors and long-term planning, from simple wills to more complicated estate planning, financing of long-term care, including Medicaid eligibility, Veteran's benefits, advance directives, guardianships, probate, and estate administration.

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Lori graduated from Kansas State University with an honors degree in Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, summa cum laude, in 1984. She continued on to receive her law degree from Harvard University in 1987, and is licensed to practice in Texas, Kansas, and Missouri. Lori lives with her husband and two children in Plano, Texas.

Memberships & Activities

- City of Plano Ethics Investigator
- College of the State - Bar of Texas
- Collin County Bar Association - Estate Planning and Probate Section President and Board of Directors
- Dallas Bar Association
- Dallas Bar Foundation -- Fellow
- Estate Planning Council of North Texas - Board of Directors
- Kansas Bar Association
- National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA)
- Missouri Bar Association

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Areas of Focus



We focus on a variety of legal issues affecting seniors and individuals with disabilities.

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- State Bar of Texas

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Featured in Living Well Magazine

See Lori A. Leu in the latest issue of Living Well Magazine. She brings passion and experience to protecting the futures of seniors in our community.

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The Estate Planning and Elder Law attorneys of Lori A. Leu & Associates assist clients with Estate Planning, Wills, Trusts, Special Needs Planning, Probate and Estate Administration, Elder Law, Medicaid Planning, Powers of Attorney and Advance Directives and Guardianships in Plano, Texas and the greater Dallas area, including Addison, Allen, Anna, Carrollton, Celina, The Colony, Dallas, Fairview, Farmers Branch, Farmersville, Frisco, Garland, Lewisville, Lucas, McKinney, Melissa, Murphy, Parker, Plano, Princeton, Prosper, Richardson, Sachse, Sherman, Van Alstyne, and Wylie.

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Sec. 2-104 of the Code of Ordinances, the City Council shall appoint attorneys to serve as ethics investigators as required by the Code of Conduct of the City of Plano; and

WHEREAS, James D. Shields and Lori A. Leu, licensed attorneys, have agreed to serve as ethics investigators for a two year period from February 15, 2014 to February 14, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that both Mr. Shields and Ms. Leu are qualified to serve as ethics investigators for code of conduct violations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLANO, TEXAS THAT:

Section I. James D. Shields and Lori A. Leu are hereby appointed by the City Council to serve as ethics investigators in determining violations of the Code of Conduct of the City of Plano. Their terms are from February 15, 2014 to February 14, 2016.

Section II. This Resolution shall become effective immediately after its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED this the 24th day of February, 2014.

Harry LaRosiliere, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Alice D. Snyder, INTERIM CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Paige Mims, CITY ATTORNEY