



**CITY OF PLANO  
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

<b>CITY SECRETARY'S USE ONLY</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory				
Council Meeting Date:		10/11/10		
Department:		Legal		
Department Head		Diane Wetherbee		
Agenda Coordinator (include phone #): <b>Lynne Jones - 7109</b>				
<b>CAPTION</b>				
A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Plano, Texas, approving the hiring of an Assistant City Attorney by the City Attorney; and providing an effective date.				
<b>FINANCIAL SUMMARY</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> NOT APPLICABLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OPERATING EXPENSE <input type="checkbox"/> REVENUE <input type="checkbox"/> CIP				
FISCAL YEAR: <b>2010-2011</b>	<b>Prior Year (CIP Only)</b>	<b>Current Year</b>	<b>Future Years</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
Budget	0	87,548	0	<b>87,548</b>
Encumbered/Expended Amount	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
This Item	0	-87,548	0	<b>-87,548</b>
BALANCE	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>FUND(S):    GENERAL FUND</b>				
<p><b>COMMENTS:</b> This item in the amount of \$87,548 is included in the approved 2010-2011 Budget. This position does not increase the number of authorized positions in Legal. City Charter authorizes the hiring of attorneys with the approval of the City Council.</p> <p><b>STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:</b> The hiring of an Assistant City Attorney meets the City's goal of "Financially Strong City with Service Excellence."</p>				
<b>SUMMARY OF ITEM</b>				
<p>City Charter authorizes the hiring of attorneys with the approval of the City Council. It is my recommendation that Susan Keller be hired as an assistant city attorney for my office. Ms. Keller will fill the vacancy created by Rodney Patten's promotion. The filling of this position does not increase the number of authorized positions. Legal has had a vacancy in the office since January 30, 2010. Ms. Keller is currently a prosecutor in Carrollton, and, if approved, will begin on October 18, 2010. Ms. Keller graduated from Southern Methodist University and was licensed to practice in 1997. She has worked as a prosecutor in Carrollton for the last 8 years.</p>				
List of Supporting Documents:		Other Departments, Boards, Commissions or Agencies		
n/a		n/a		

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**WHEREAS**, Section 4.05 of the City Charter of the City of Plano gives the City Attorney the authority to select attorneys, with the approval of the City Council, to represent the City in all litigation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Attorney has hired Assistant City Attorneys to represent the City in litigation and to advise the City officials and departments.

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

**Section I.** The City Council approves of the hiring by the City Attorney of Susan Keller as Assistant City Attorney, such approval to be effective with the date of her employment and compliance with all prescreening requirements.

**Section II.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED** this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010.

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Phil Dyer, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Diane Zucco, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Diane C. Wetherbee, CITY ATTORNEY