ORDINANCE NO. 2011-08-043

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE 2011 BUDGET APPROPRIATING \$80,000.00 FROM ESTIMATED ENDING UNDESIGNATED RESERVES IN THE GENERAL FUND TO BE USED FOR UNANTICIPATED COSTS IN THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, during this year Whatcom County has made several major land use decisions which directly impact the City of Bellingham; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have directed City staff to comment on and monitor the status of these land use matters as well as file appeals as necessary; and.

WHEREAS, the City Charter, section 6.03 authorizes the Mayor and City Council to employ special counsel to take care of special matters; or to assist the City Attorney; and,

WHEREAS, the City Attorney requires the assistance of special counsel to assist in the effective representation of the City's interests; and,

WHEREAS, since the need for special counsel to assist the City Attorney were unanticipated, these costs were not budgeted in the 2011 Legal Department general budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM DOES ORDAIN:

The sum of \$80,000.00 is hereby appropriated from Estimated Ending Undesignated Reserves in the General Fund for the purpose of Special Legal Services. The source of funding will be credited from:

001 GENERAL

5 000 GENERAL

001-50000000810 EST END UNDESIGNATED RESERVE \$ 80,000.00

To be debited as follows:

001 GENERAL

5 261 LEGAL SERVICES

001-52611124104 SPECIAL LEGAL SERVICES \$ 80,000.00

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PASSED by the Council this <u>1st</u> day of <u>August</u> , 2011.
Council President
APPROVED by me this 3rd day of August, 2011.
Mayor
ATTEST:
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Office of the City Attorney
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