

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, APPOINTING THE INDEPENDENT ETHICS COUNSEL AND APPROVING THE LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT FOR AN INDEPENDENT HEARING OFFICER

WHEREAS, City Council passed a comprehensive Ethics Code, Ordinance # 2397, on October 4th, 2022 that created a process to investigate and review complaints and to adjudicate a violation of the Ethics Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance #2397 the City Council must appoint an Independent Ethics Counsel by a two-thirds majority of all the members of City Council in office at the time the vote is taken; and

WHEREAS, the Independent Ethics Counsel must be a Colorado licensed attorney in good standing and will oversee the complaint, investigation, and enforcement process for ethics complaints; and

WHEREAS, William A. Tuthill III is a qualified licensed attorney with municipal law experience who is willing to be appointed as the City of Brighton's Independent Ethics Counsel; and

WHEREAS, Geoff Wilson is a licensed attorney who is willing to be appointed as the independent hearing officer if the need arises and has the necessary qualifications and experience; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that Mr. Tuthill is qualified and should be appointed as the Independent Ethics Counsel and approves of engagement of Geoff Wilson for independent hearing officer if the need arises.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. William A. Tuthill III is hereby appointed as the City of Brighton's Independent Ethics Counsel for a two-year term, which may be renewed, and the City Attorney is authorized to execute the engagement letter for this purpose on behalf of the City.

Section 2. The City Council approves the engagement letter with Geoff Wilson to serve as an independent hearing officer if the need arises and authorizes the City Attorney to sign the engagement letter on behalf of the City.

Section 3. This Resolution is effective as of the date of its adoption.

RESOLVED this 17<sup>th</sup> Day of January 2023.

CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO

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GREGORY MILLS, Mayor

ATTEST:

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NATALIE HOEL, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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ALICIA CALDERÓN, City Attorney