

A RESOLUTION

23-609

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 1, 2020

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to approve multiyear Contract No. DCCB-2020-F-0026 with Edelson PC to provide outside legal services to assist the Office of the Attorney General with its consumer protection litigation against Facebook, Inc., and to authorize payment for the goods and services to be received under the contract.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Contract No. DCCB-2020-F-0026 with Edelson PC, Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2020”.

Sec. 2. (a) There exists a need to approve Contract No. DCCB-2020- F-0026 with Edelson PC to obtain outside legal services to assist the Office of the Attorney General with its consumer protection litigation against Facebook, Inc. There is also a need to authorize payment for the goods and services to be received under Contract No. DCCB-2020-F-0026.

(b) Council approval is necessary to allow the Office of the Attorney General to obtain the services of outside legal counsel to assist with litigation against Facebook, Inc. Contract No. DCCB-2020-F-0026 is a multiyear contract, which has a 5-year base period calculated from July 31, 2020. The contract is the definitized version of letter contract the parties executed on July 31, 2020, that had a maximum amount of less than \$1 million.

(c) Council approval is also necessary because the contract could require the payment of more than \$1 million during a 12-month period. The contract is a contingency fee contract with a cost reimbursement component, calculated as a percentage of any monetary award obtained by the Edelson PC on behalf of the District, payable only upon the District’s receipt of such an award.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Contract No. DCCB-2020-F-0026 with Edelson PC, Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Act of 2020 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.