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Resolution No. 1 of 2008: Shared Municipal Services Incentive Health Benefits Grant – Legal Counsel Consulting Services for TCCOG

**WHEREAS**, the Tompkins County Council of Governments (TCCOG), as part of its shared municipal services health benefits grant project, appointed the Health Benefits Steering Committee, made up of TCCOG members and other stakeholders, to oversee investigation into and formation of a shared services employee health benefits consortium, which would involve Tompkins County municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of its charge, the Health Benefits Steering Committee invited proposals to provide legal counsel consulting services for TCCOG related to this project, and on April 2, 2008 interviewed prospective firms to provide services as legal counsel; and

**WHEREAS**, the Health Benefits Steering Committee has recommended the firm of Hancock and Estabrook as the legal counsel consultant for the shared services health benefits grant project; and

**WHEREAS**, this service is funded one-hundred percent through the Shared Municipal Services Incentive grant, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Tompkins County Council of Governments recognizes the due diligence exercised by the Health Benefits Steering committee, and joins in recommending Hancock and Estabrook as the project's consultant for legal services; and

**RESOLVED**, further, that the Council requests that the Government Operations Committee of the Tompkins County Legislature recommend to the Legislature that Tompkins County enter into a contract, on behalf of TCCOG, with Hancock and Estabrook for legal counsel consulting services for TCCOG for the shared services Health Benefits grant project.

Resolution was passed by unanimous vote on April 24, 2008  
Motion Made by: Doug Austic  
Seconded by: Don Barber