**2021 RES-220** 

## APPROVING EIGHT CONTRACTS TO SERVE AS IMPARTIAL HEARING OFFICERS AND INDEPENDENT CONSULTANTS

 Dane County works with a pool of individuals to serve as Impartial Hearing Officers and/or Independent Consultants. County ordinances requires that a Request for Proposals be issued for service contracts after five years. It has been more than five years since the County began working with the current pool of Impartial Hearing Officers and a new request for proposals was required.

Dane County issued RFP#121073 in 2021 for a pool of candidates to serve as an Impartial Hearing Officer and/or Independent Consultant. The current pool of Impartial Hearing Officers were invited to submit a proposal. There were eight respondents. The Department of Administration has reviewed the qualifications of the respondents and all eight are qualified to serve as Impartial Hearing Officers and/or Independent Consultants. The Department is recommending that the County adopt agreements with all eight respondents.

The eight respondents were: 1) Susan J.M. Bauman, 2) Carne Dispute Resolution (Danielle L. Carne), 3) Raleigh Jones Arbitration, 4) Daniel Nielsen, 5) Herman Torosian Arbitration Services, and 6) Thomas L. Yaeger, 7) Howard Bellman, and 8) Stanley Michelstetter. Each respondent is offered a five-year contract, not to exceed \$30,000.

Selection of Impartial Hearing Officers and/or Independent Consultants, shall be completed in accordance with the procedures established in County Ordinance and the Employee Benefit Handbook.

 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the County Executive and the County Clerk are authorized to execute agreements with Susan J.M. Bauman, Carne Dispute Resolution, Raleigh Jones Arbitration, Daniel Nielsen, Herman Torosian Arbitration Services, Thomas L. Yaeger, Howard Bellman, and Stanley Michelstetter each for \$30,000 and a term of five years.