ORDINANCE NO. <u>141-99</u>

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING ROSS, BANKS, MAY, CRON & CAVIN, P.C., ATTORNEYS LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AS CITY ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY OF WALLIS, TEXAS.

WHEREAS, the law firm of Ross, Banks, May, Cron & Cavin, P.C., attorneys are licensed to practice law in the State of Texas of whom Firmin A. Hickey, Jr. is Of Counsel and has extensive experience in the representation of municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wallis has requested the assistance of Ross, Banks, May, Cron & Cavin, P.C. to represent the municipality of Wallis as City Attorney at the hourly rate of \$170 per hour for attorney time and \$65 per hour for paralegal time.

WHEREAS, the City Council and the City of Wallis has determined the need to employ Ross, Banks, May, Cron & Cavin, P.C. to act as City attorneys on an hourly fee basis at the above subject rates. NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED THAT THE CITY OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WALLIS, TEXAS:

- 1. That Ross, Banks, May, Cron & Cavin, P.C., Firmin A. Hickey, Jr., Of Counsel, is hereby employed as City attorneys for the City of Wallis and its compensation is fixed at the rate of One Hundred and Seventy Dollars (\$170.00) per hour for attorney time, Sixty-Five (\$65.00) per hour for paralegal time plus all costs and expenses incurred by it.
- 2. That the said City attorney is authorized to perform services and tasks as may from time to time be requested of it by the Mayor and/or members of the City Council of the City of Wallis, Texas.
- 3. The City attorney shall be deemed the chief legal officer of the City of Wallis and shall provide such legal advice as from time to time may be necessary and desirable. In addition, the herein

designated City attorney shall be responsible for drafting and/or reviewing all Ordinances or other legal documents of the City of Wallis.

4. The City attorney herein designated shall not be obligated to represent the interests of the City in Court or other judicial or administration forums but may elect to serve in such capacity, or recommend such outside counsel as shall be deemed necessary or appropriate to best represent the interests of the City. No outside counsel nor lawyers of any other firm may be employed or retained without the prior approval of the Mayor of Wallis.

PASSED and APPROVED this, the <u>23rd</u> day of <u>November</u>, 1999.

Mayor, City of Wallis, Toxas

ATTEST:

Larbara Brigar City Secretary