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Meeting Minutes Finance Committee

Monday, June 14, 2021

6:00 PM

Via Teleconference

Aldermanic Notice New Haven

The Finance Committee will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 14, 2021, at 6:00 P.M, via video conference. Meeting can be viewed at <https://bit.ly/3wapjDs> or by phone at (301) 715-8592 or (312) 626-6799. Meeting Webinar ID: 928 6373 4978 . Phone passcode: 21084170.

1. [LM-2021-0271](#) ORDER APPROVING AN INCREASE IN THE MAXIMUM COMPENSATION OF THE LEGAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE LAW FIRM OF HOWD & LUDORF, LLC FROM \$99,500 TO \$178,000 FROM GF 2020-2021 LINE ITEM 11331010-56696.

Attachments: [Howd BOA Checklist](#)
[Howd BOA Fiscal Impact](#)
[Howd BOA letter](#)
[Howd BOA Prior Authorization](#)
[Howd BOA Draft Amendment](#)
[Howd BOA Order](#)

Discharge @ BOA 7-5

This Order was No Action

2. [LM-2021-0269](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 30, 2021 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

Attachments: [April 2021-Monthly](#)

This Order was No Action

These items are filed with the City Clerk and may be inspected at Room 202, 200 Orange St., New Haven. Per order: Hon. Evette Hamilton, Chair. Attest: Michael Smart, City Clerk.

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Alder Hamilton, called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m., June 14, 2021 via webinar. Present were Aids. Hamilton, Marchand, Morrison, Walker-Myer, Festa, Furlow, E. Rodriguez, and Hurt.

Chair Hamilton told the committee that they were only going to do item 1 of the agenda because Michael Gormany, Acting Controller, was on vacation and couldn't attend.

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Patricia King, Corporation Counsel, and Rodrick Williams, Deputy Corporation Counsel. Ms. King and Mr. Williams spoke to the committee concerning their request.

Alder Marchand asked if Corporation Counsel had an attorney to take on this work. Ms. King answered this question.

Alder Marchand asked what the costs were for using this outside counsel. Mr. Williams spoke on this.

Alder Morrison asked Corporation Counsel would need to do this work in house. Ms. King answered this question.

Alder Festa asked what the salary and benefits would be needed to be equal to other cities. Ms. King answered.

Alder Furlow asked how many staff attorneys in Corporation Counsel office and their expertise. Ms. King answered.

No further questions were asked.

Alder Hamilton asked three times if there was anyone from the public who wished to testify. No one came forward,

At 6:42 PM, a motion by Marchand, seconded by Furlow, was made to close the public portion of the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

Committee Action:

1. Alder Marchand told the committee that this item was going to be kept in committee and "Discharged from Committee" at the next Board of Alders meeting to enable the full board to vote on it.

At 6:43 PM, on a motion by Furlow, seconded by Marchand, the Committee voted to close the meeting.

The meeting was recorded. The recording is found online at <https://bit.ly/3xzzjXw>.

Respectfully submitted,

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