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June 18, 2020

Alder Tyisha Walker-Myers
President
24th Ward
Board of Alders
165 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

RE: Howd & Ludorf, LLC

Dear Honorable President:

Attached please find a copy of the package that will be submitted at the July 6, 2020 meeting of the Board of Alders.

I am requesting approval to increase the maximum compensation for the law firm of Howd & Ludorf, LLC from \$99,500 to \$167,700 from line item 11331010-56696 effective immediately.

This law firm has been working on several litigation matters on the City's behalf during the 2019-2020 fiscal year, including the matters below.

It represents the City of New Haven in Bobby Johnson v. City of New Haven, a federal court lawsuit against the City and several police officers alleging the police officers mishandled a murder investigation and deliberately steered the investigation toward the arrest and conviction of the Plaintiff, even though he was allegedly innocent of the crime. The work during the 2019-2020 fiscal year included extensive discovery and a motion for summary judgment.

It represents the City in Marcus Paca v. City of New Haven, a federal court case in which summary judgment was granted, and plaintiff appealed to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals. The appellate brief was drafted during the fiscal year. That appeal is pending.

It represents the Board of Education and a school principal in Doe v. Board of Education, a state court lawsuit arising out of the alleged sexual assault of the plaintiff by his drama teacher. The work included filing a motion for summary judgment motion, which is still pending.

It represents the City and various dispatchers in Bogan v. New Haven, a state court action arising out of the alleged delayed dispatch of emergency assistance to a report of a dog bite attack wherein the decedent sustained life-threatening injuries. The work included extensive discovery and motion practice.

The firm represents the City in the cases of Horn v. City of New Haven and Jackson v. City of New Haven, two federal civil rights action where plaintiffs claim they were wrongfully convicted of murder as a result of improper conduct and policies by the New Haven Police Dept. The work during the 2019-2020 fiscal year has involved extensive discovery, including over 30 depositions.

It represents New Haven Police Officer Kenroy Taylor in King v. New Haven, a federal civil rights action where plaintiff claims excessive force was used on him in effecting his arrest. The work in this matter has included discovery.

It represents Sherlyn Poindexter in the Marcano v. Vendetto, et al., a state court action alleging tortious interference with employment relationship by an assistant fire chief against another assistant chief.

Any assistance you may offer concerning this matter would be greatly appreciated.

I shall be glad to answer any questions or to provide you with any other information concerning this Amendment. I can be reached directly at 203-668-9282. I thank you and hope for your favorable consideration.

Very truly yours,

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Patricia A. King

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Date Submitted: June 18, 2020

Meeting Submitted For: July 6, 2020

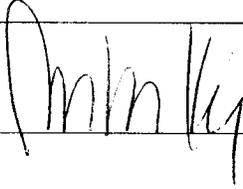
Regular or Suspension Agenda: Regular

Submitted By: Patricia A. King

Title of Legislation:

ORDER APPROVING AN INCREASE IN THE MAXIMUM COMPENSATION FOR THE LAW FIRM OF HOWD & LUDORF, LLC FROM \$99,500 TO \$167,700 FROM GF 2019-2020 LINE ITEM 11331010-56696.

Comments: _____

Coordinator's Signature: 

Controller's Signature (if grant): _____

Mayor's Office Signature: _____

Call 946-7670 with any questions.