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To:Board of DirectorsFrom:Larrie Ann DavisDate:November 4, 2020Subject:General Counsel Services

Attorney Van Blarcom's current agreement with the District provides for a prepaid retainer in the amount of \$2,000.00 per month for up to 10 hours of provided service, plus a rate of \$250.00 for every hour in excess of the 10 attorney hours per month. The current agreement was implemented in November 2008. In November 2019 the Board unanimously approved the continuation of the District's current engagement agreement with Ronald Van Blarcom for an additional year.

Attached is an "Hours Recap" report covering November 2019 through October 2020. Attorney Van Blarcom has a total of 103.80 billable hours or an average of 8.65 billable hours per month. Based on the work performed in the last 5 years, Attorney Van Blarcom has averaged \$221.00 per hour for the billable hours each month.

We would like to recommend the continuation of the District's current engagement agreement with Ronald Van Blarcom for General Counsel Services.

Van Blarcom Legal Services

Agreement provides <u>up to</u> 10 hours per month for flat payment of \$2,000, and \$250 per hour for any hours over 10 each month.

| Month        | Hours | Amount Due Per<br>Agreement | Amount Billed /<br>Payed |  |
|--------------|-------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Nov 2019     | 10.8  | \$2200                      | \$2000                   |  |
| Dec 2019*    | 1.5   | \$2000                      | \$2000                   |  |
| Jan 2020     | 15.8  | \$3450                      | \$2000                   |  |
| Feb 2020     | 12.1  | \$2525                      | \$2000                   |  |
| Mar 2020     | 14.2  | \$3050                      | \$2000                   |  |
| April 2020** | 10.4  | \$2100                      | \$2000                   |  |
| May 2020*    | 3.6   | \$2000                      | \$2000                   |  |
| June 2020**  | 10.8  | \$2200                      | \$2000                   |  |
| July 2020**  | 3.8   | \$2000                      | \$2000                   |  |
| Aug 2020**   | 4.2   | \$2000                      | \$2000                   |  |
| Sept 2020**  | 5.3   | \$2000                      | \$2000                   |  |
| Oct 2020     | 10.3  | \$2075                      | \$2000                   |  |
| TOTALS       | 103.8 | \$27,600                    | \$24,000                 |  |

Chart showing hours recap for 2019-2020

\*Meeting cancelled

\*\*COVID-19 (attended meeting via Zoom)

Chart for Last 5 years

| Year              | 15-16 | 16-17 | 17-18 | 18-19 | 19-20 | Total |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Hours             | 103.4 | 122.5 | 115.2 | 99.4  | 102.8 | 543.3 |
| Effective<br>Rate | \$232 | \$196 | \$208 | \$241 | \$233 | \$221 |