Reply to Common Council File No. 021790

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File 021790 is a resolution appropriating an additional \$30,000 from the Outside Counsel/Expert Witness Fund to retain an outside attorney to represent the City and Fire and Police Commission in Arthur Jones v. City of Milwaukee – Fire and Police Commission, EEOC Charge No. 260A200714.

In June 2002, Milwaukee Police Chief Arthur Jones filed a Charge of Discrimination with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission against the City of Milwaukee - Fire and Police Commission. The City Attorney advised that he cannot represent the City and the Fire and Police Commission in this matter, requiring the use of outside counsel.

Common Council file 020385 approved \$25,000 for this case from the Outside Counsel/Expert Witness Fund on July 16, 2002. Of this approved amount, \$6,029.82 remains in the account, necessitating additional funding transferred from the fund. The fund's balance as of April 2, 2003 is \$356,371.95.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE COMMON COUNCIL FILE 021790 APPROPRIATING AN ADDITIONAL \$30,000 FROM THE OUTSIDE COUNSEL/EXPERT WITNESS FUND.

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