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Re: Outside Counsel/Expert Expenditures

Dear Alderman D'Amato:

At the Judiciary & Legislation Committee hearing on January 9, 2006, the committee requested additional information relating to FN 051004 a Communication from the City Attorney relative to expenditures from the Outside Counsel/Expert Witness Fund. Specifically, the committee asked for additional detail on the expenditures for the Grzeca Law Group, S.C.

The Grzeca Law Group specializes in the area of immigration law. This firm has been retained by the City on four separate matters relating to immigration issues. All of the matters involve existing city employees (foreign nationals) in highly technical specialty occupations and their H1-B immigration status or residency applications. Two of these employees are in the Health Department, one is in Water, and one is in the Department of Administration. These immigration applications require approval from the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services of the Department of Homeland Security. Our office has engaged the Grzeca Law Group on these issues because it has specialized knowledge and practice in the area of immigration law. The law requires the employer to pay the costs and fees of the application. This includes the attorneys fees.

Very truly yours,

  
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