

Reply to Common Council File No. 001775

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council file 001775 contains a resolution authorizing an additional appropriation of funding from the Outside Counsel/Expert Witness Fund Special Purpose Account for ongoing cases. This resolution appropriates an additional \$5,000 from this Special Purpose Account for the purpose of retaining outside counsel Fuchs, Snow & DeStefanis, S.C. to represent the Policemen's Annuity & Benefit Fund in Policemen's Annuity & Benefit Fund v. City of Milwaukee, case no. 97-CV-0009822.

Originally, council file 961945 adopted on 10/07/97 appropriated \$10,000 for the Outside Counsel/Expert Witness Fund Special Purpose Account to hire outside counsel Fuchs, Snow & Stefanis, S.C. for the purpose of bringing an action against the City of Milwaukee for alleged contributions due and owing the Policemen's Annuity & Benefit Fund. Subsequent files (980721, 981209, & 000184) appropriated an additional total of \$16,000 for outside counsel.

Billings by Fuchs, Snow & DeStefanis, S.C. through March of 2001 total \$26,221.07 and there is currently a negative balance of \$-221.07 in the account.

**RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE COMMON COUNCIL FILE 001775 WHICH AUTHORIZES AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AN ADDITIONAL \$5,000 FROM THE OUTSIDE COUNSEL/EXPERT WITNESS FUND SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNT FOR OUTSIDE COUNSEL IN POLICEMEN'S ANNUITY & BENEFIT FUND V. CITY OF MILWAUKEE.**



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