

Reply to Common Council File No. 001558

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council file 001558 contains a resolution authorizing engagement of a consultant to assist in the compilation of records pertaining to police officer compensatory time off in conjunction with a litigation entitled Bradley DeBraska, et al. V. City of Milwaukee, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Case No. 96-C-402.

The City Attorney's Office believes it is both mandated by law and essential for the effective presentation of the City's position to have such information pertaining to police officer compensatory time off be compiled, made easily accessible, and rendered in a form suitable for convenient summarization and presentation. The short timeframe for completion of those proceedings, it is most imperative that the process of compilation and summarization of the City's records concerning police officer CTO accrual, usage, and balances and related issues begin without further delay.

In a letter dated February 14,2001, Randy Gschwind, City of Milwaukee's Chief Information Officer, has recommended that the best course of action would be to engage an outside consultant to assist in the compilation, summarization, and presentation of all available City records pertinent to the above case.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE COMMON COUNCIL FILE 001558 WHICH AUTHORIZES \$25,000 TO BE EXPENDED FROM THE OUTSIDE COUNSEL/EXPERT WITNESS SPECIAL PURPOSE FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENGAGING A CONSULTANT TO ASSIST IN THE COMPILATION OF RECORDS RELATED TO THE LITIGATION ENTITLED BRADLEY DEBRASKA ET AL. V. CITY OF MILWAUKEE.



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