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February 8, 2008

To the Honorable Common Council
of the City of Milwaukee
Room 205 - City Hall

Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert, Eggert Law Office,
S.C. for legal fees for Police Officer Sonthana Rajaphoumi
C.I. File No. 06-S-257 EC 2361

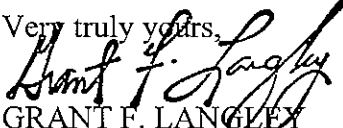
Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Sonthana Rajaphoumi. The claim is in the amount of \$282.00 including \$7.00 in disbursements for 2.50 hours of service billed at the rate of \$110.00 per hour. We ask that this matter be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Legislation.

We have reviewed this claim and advise that in our opinion, the time spent was reasonable. Legal representation was occasioned by the filing of a citizen's complaint against the officer with the Fire and Police Commission. The complaint was dismissed by the Commission.

As we have advised you under similar circumstances in the past, the Common Council has discretion to reject this claim or to pay it in whole or in part. Sec. 895.35, Stats., Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,


GRANT F. LANGLEY
City Attorney


JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
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Enc.

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

September 12, 2006

TO: P.O. SONTANA RAJAPHOUMI
DISTRICT: SOB/TAC

RE: Receipt of Legal Services from Law Firm of
Attorney Laurie Eggert

Attorney Laurie Eggert has made a claim with the City, indicating the attached was provided with legal services arising out of one of the following situations:

- 1) An incident occurring on DECEMBER 10, 2004
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by PENG VANG
- 3) A police shooting incident occurring on N/A

Is this information correct?

YES NO

Did you receive legal representation
in this matter?

YES NO

Your signature:

POSTPON

Print your name:

SONTANA RAJAPHOUMI

Upon completion, please return this memorandum to the Professional Performance Division at the Police Academy (Room 325) as soon as possible.



MARY K. HOERIG
Deputy Inspector
Professional Performance Division

MKH:kjs

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August 17, 2006

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt
Milwaukee City Clerk
800 City Hall
200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

CITY OF MILWAUKEE
2006 AUG 28 PM 4: 17
RONALD D. LEONHARDT
CITY CLERK

**RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Peng Vang
Against PO Sonthana Rajaphoumi
Complaint No.: 05-21
Date of Incident: December 10, 2004**

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

The above-named police officer has retained us to represent him in connection with the above-referenced matter.

Consistent with its policy, the City Attorney's Office has refused to represent him and, as he was performing the duties of his office at the time of the events giving rise to the incident, this claim is hereby made on his behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved the arrest of a subject.

The Fire and Police Commission dismissed the complaint. Attached is a copy of the dismissal notice and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

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OFFICE OF
CITY ATTORNEY

Sincerely,

CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Jon Cermele

JC/kjs
Attachments
RAJAPHOUMI

MAY 11 2006

BOARD OF
FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS : CITY OF MILWAUKEE : COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

In Re:
THE CHARGES OF PENG VANG
AGAINST POLICE OFFICER SONTANA RAJAPHOUMI

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

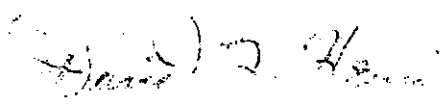
To Officer Sonthana Rajaphoumi:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Peng Vang, Complaint No. 05-21, filed with the Board on May 3, 2005, is dismissed because the Complainant failed to appear at the scheduled meeting, by the

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF
FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

LEONARD J. SOBCHAK, CHAIRMAN

BY:


DAVID L. HEARD
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, MAY 9, 2006.

c: Attorney Rachel Pings ✓

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August 18, 2006

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Milwaukee City Clerk
City Hall
200 East Wells Street
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RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Peng Vang
Against PO Sonthana Rajaphoumi
FPC No: 05-21
Date of Incident: December 10, 2004
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
3/6/2006 Initial telephone call from PO Rajaphoumi; open file; memo to file; create retainer letter to Heard; calendar conciliation.	0.50
3/7/2006 Travel to City Hall; conference with client; citizen was no-show; return travel; correspondence to Heard.	1.50
3/9/2006 Receive and review requested Faxes from FPC.	0.10
5/11/2006 Receive and review FPC's Order of Dismissal.	0.10
5/19/2006 Review and sign correspondence to client; close file.	0.30
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For professional services rendered	2.50
Additional charges:	✓ \$275.00
3/7/2006 Parking	7.00

Mr. Ronald Leonhardt

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	<u>Amount</u>
Total costs	\$7.00
Total amount of this bill	<u>\$282.00</u>
Balance due	<u>\$282.00</u>

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)