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

Re: Resolution authorizing payment for legal services from Amundsen
Davis, LLC, for legal services for Alderman Robert Bauman in the
matter of *Tri-Corp Housing, Inc. v. Bauman*.
CCFN 241104

Dear Council Members:

Enclosed please find a proposed resolution to authorize a fourth amendment to contract for an amount not to exceed \$27,000 for payment of legal services from Amundsen Davis, LLC, for their representation of Alderman Robert Bauman in the matter of *Tri-Corp Housing, Inc. v. Bauman*. Also attached is a draft of the contract amendment, and a fiscal impact statement.

This matter is ongoing and is currently pending an appeal and petition to the Wisconsin Supreme Court by plaintiff.

The proposed resolution reflects a budget that is estimated to get the case through a projected denial of petition with remand back to the court of appeals, which could conclude the matter. That outcome is not certain though and further amendments to the contract may be necessary depending on the circumstances.

Additionally, the resolution calls for a \$75 increase in the hourly rate for services over the rates set in March 2020. The increases are as follows: Lead Appeals Counsel: \$300 to \$375 per hour; Assistant Appeals Counsel: \$250 to \$325 per hour; Associates: \$200 to \$275 per hour; Paralegals: \$125 to \$200 per hour.



We request that this matter be assigned for a hearing in an open session before the Judiciary and Legislation Committee in order to act.

Very truly yours,

s/ROBIN PEDERSON
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Enclosures