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March 17, 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 Robert Ferrell
C.I. File No. 06-S-333; EC 2371

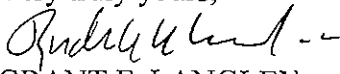
Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Robert Ferrell. The claim is in the amount of \$537.08 including \$9.08 in disbursements for 4.80 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. Wis. Stat. § 895.35, *Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County*, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,


GRANT F. LANGLEY
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Enc.

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OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

November 8, 2006

TO: P.O. ROBERT FERRELL
DISTRICT: ONE

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 SEPTEMBER 17, 2004
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by JOSE MANUEL RANEDA

Is this information correct?

YES NO

Did you receive legal representation
in this matter?

YES NO

Your signature: 
Print your name: P.O. ROBERT FERRELL

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

MILWAUKEE POLICE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS
DIVISION

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October 19, 2006

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

**RE: Citizen Complaint of Mr. Jose Manuel Raneda
Against PO Robert Ferrell
Complaint No.: 04-98
Date of Incident: September 17, 2004**

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RONALD D. LEONHARDT
CITY CLERK

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 a call for service.

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.

Sincerely,

CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

Jon Cermele

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Attachments
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FPC No: 04-98
Date of Incident: September 17, 2004
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
1/25/2005 Conference with PO Ferrell; open file; memo to file; check municipal and circuit court websites for complainant's history.	1.50
2/7/2005 Review and sign correspondence to FPC.	0.10
2/15/2005 Telephone call from open records; memo to file.	0.10
2/17/2005 Intra-office conference with Eggert regarding 2/18/05 conciliation; calendar same; telephone call to client.	0.20
Telephone call from FPC; review of file.	0.20
2/18/2005 Receive and review open records request; file same.	0.20
Retrieve voicemail message from client; telephone call to client; travel to City Hall and perform conciliation; return travel memo to file.	1.70
3/15/2005 Review Complaint and Appeal Report regarding status.	0.10
5/20/2005 Receive and review correspondence from FPC; review and sign correspondence to client regarding same.	0.10

Mr. Ronald Leonhardt

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	<u>Hours</u>		<u>Amount</u>
7/20/2005		Receive and review correspondence from FPC; review and sign correspondence to client.	0.20
6/1/2006		Receive and review correspondence from FPC regarding Scheduling Order; receive and review correspondence from citizen requesting dismissal; correspondence to Fronk.	0.30
8/24/2006		Correspondence to client; close file.	0.10
		For professional services rendered	4.80
		Additional charges:	\$528.00
2/18/2005		MPD Open Records request	5.08
		Parking	4.00
		Total costs	<u>\$9.08</u>
		Total amount of this bill	<u>\$537.08</u>
		Balance due	<u><u>\$537.08</u></u>

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

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CERMELE & ASSOCIATES, S.C.

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

In Re:
THE CHARGES OF JOSE MANUEL RANEDA
AGAINST POLICE OFFICER ROBERT FERRELL

ORDER OF DISMISSAL


To Officer Robert Ferrell:

It is hereby ordered that the Complaint of Jose Manuel Raneda, Complaint No. 04-98, filed with the Board on December 10, 2004, is dismissed because the Complainant does not wish to pursue the complaint, by the.

MILWAUKEE BOARD OF
FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

LEONARD J. SOBCHAK, CHAIRMAN

BY:



DAVID L. HEARD
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DATED AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, AUGUST 21, 2006.

c: Attorney Rachel Pings ✓