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January 23, 2008

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for legal fees for
Police Officers Robert Welch and Christopher Greer
C.I. File No. 05-S-343; EC 2264

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Laurie A. Eggert for attorney's fees for representing Police Officers Robert Welch and Christopher Greer. The claim is in the amount of \$418.00 for 3.80 hours of service billed at the rate of \$110 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 a criminal investigation. No criminal charges were brought against the officers on whose behalf this claim was filed.

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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JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
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Enc.

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

DECEMBER 5, 2005

TO: P.O. ROBERT WELCH
DISTRICT: TWO

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 AUGUST 3, 2005
- 2) A citizen's complaint made by MICHAEL SOROLOWSKI
- 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:

P.O. Robert J. Welch

Print your name:

Robert J. Welch

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

Mary K. Hoerig
MARY K. HOERIG
Captain of Police
Professional Performance Division

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DIVISION

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

DECEMBER 5, 2005

TO: P.O. CHRISTOPHER GREER
DISTRICT: TWO

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YES X NO

Did you receive legal representation in this matter?

YES X NO ~~X~~ ^{gcs}

Your signature: P.O. Christopher Greer

Print your name: P.O. Christopher GREER

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November 10, 2005

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt
Milwaukee City Clerk
800 City Hall
200 East Wells Street
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**RE: MPD Criminal Investigation of POs Robert Welch and Christopher Greer
Allegations Regarding Mr. Michael S. Sorolowski
Date of Incident: August 3, 2005
Location of Incident: 2405 South 5th Street
EC No.: 2264**

Dear Mr. Leonhardt:

The above-named police officers have retained us to represent them in connection with the above-referenced matter. Consistent with its policy, the City Attorney's Office has refused to represent them, and as they were performing the duties of their office at the time of the events giving rise to the incident, the claim is hereby made on their behalf for the indicated legal fees. This incident involved the response to a trouble with a subject call.

According to correspondence from Captain Hoerig, the allegation is unfounded. As such, no charges were issued against the officers. Attached is a copy of the letter along with the status of the CIS Investigatory file, and an itemization of the time and services rendered.

Sincerely,


EGGERT & CERMELE, S.C.

Jon Cermele

JC/ldl
attachment
WELCH GREER

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RE: MPD Criminal Investigation re: Mr. Michael S. Sorolowski
Regarding: POs Robert Welch and Christopher Greer
Date of Incident: August 3, 2005
Location of Incident: 2405 South 5th Street
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
8/8/2005 Telephone call from PO Welch regarding new criminal investigation; open file; office conference with client; memo to file; telephone call to IAD; telephone call to client.	1.80
8/15/2005 Telephone call from client; memo to file.	0.50
9/23/2005 Telephone call to IAD; memo to file.	0.20
9/26/2005 Telephone call to IAD.	0.10
9/27/2005 Telephone call to IAD; memo to file; telephone call to client; fax to Cpt. Hoerig.	0.70
10/10/2005 Review of correspondence from IAD confirming that the complaint was cleared as "unfounded"; correspondence to client; close file.	0.50
	<u>Amount</u>
For professional services rendered	3.80 \$418.00

Mr. Ronald D. Leonhardt

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Amount

Balance due

\$418.00

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)

CIS FILE NO	PPD FILE NO	COMPLAINANT	ALLEGATION	DISPOSITION
1. 05-136	05-0679	SOKOLOWSKI, MICHAEL	BATTERY	UNFOUNDED