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

Re: Communication from Gimbel, Reilly, Guerin & Brown  
for legal fees for Sergeants Steven Braunreiter, Charles Cross  
C.I. File No. 03-S-37; 200239408M

Dear Council Members:


Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney D. Michael Guerin for attorney's fees for representing Sergeants Steven Braunreiter and Charles Cross. The claim is in the amount of \$440.00 for 4.00 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. A criminal investigation was initiated against the sergeants on whose behalf this claim was filed, but they were ultimately not charged.

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,

  
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