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March 9, 2014

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Jon Cermele, Cermele & Associates, S.C. for
legal fees for Police Officer Joseph Goggins; EC 2645

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Jon Cermele for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Joseph Goggins. The claim is in the amount of \$913.66 including \$0.66 in disbursements for 8.30 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.

This claim was submitted to our office several years ago, but the bill submitted at that time was not complete. Recent review by Attorney Cermele's office revealed that the claim had not been processed. When we were alerted to this, we were finally able to obtain a complete bill and that bill is attached to this document.

We have reviewed this corrected 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 officers 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,


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September 16, 2008

Mr. Ronald Leonhardt
Milwaukee City Clerk
City Hall, Room 205
200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee WI 53202

RE: Citizen Complaint of Ms. Precious Badran
Against PO Joseph Goggins
FPC No: 07-12
Date of Incident: November 4, 2006
Professional services

	<u>Hours</u>
6/20/2007 Office conference with PO Goggins regarding citizen complaint; review records; open file; Open Records request; CCAP and Muni. court search regarding complainant.	1.50
6/26/2007 Telephone call from MPD Open Records regarding request; review file; telephone call to MPD Open Records with client's information.	0.50
6/29/2007 Receive and review correspondence from City indicating no prior citizen complaints.	0.10
7/6/2007 Telephone call to Open Records regarding request.	0.10
7/10/2007 Telephone call to MPD regarding Open Records request.	0.10
7/23/2007 Receive and review correspondence from MPD regarding complainant's prior arrests.	0.10
3/4/2008 Receive and review correspondence from FPC regarding conciliation scheduling; telephone call to client regarding available dates; telephone call from FPC with open dates; memo to file.	0.40

	<u>Hours</u>	
7/13/2008	0.10	Receive and review correspondence from FPC regarding mediation.
7/21/2008	0.40	Review file.
7/23/2008	0.20	Telephone call to client; memo to file; e-mail to Mediation Center with possible date.
8/6/2008	0.30	Review correspondence from Mediation Center; correspondence to client regarding mediation date; calendar same.
8/8/2008	0.10	Receive and review correspondence from Milwaukee Mediation Center.
8/11/2008	0.30	Telephone call from client.
8/12/2008	0.30	Receive and review e-mail from Mediation Center; telephone call to client; e-mail to Mediation Center.
8/13/2008	0.10	Receive and review correspondence from Milwaukee Mediation Center.
8/14/2008	2.30	Telephone call to client; review file; travel; attend mediation; return travel; memo to file; fax to PPD requesting internal file.
8/15/2008	0.20	Telephone call from FPC.
8/21/2008	0.50	Receive and review PPD file.
8/29/2008	0.20	Receive and review correspondence from Milwaukee Mediation Center; telephone call to FPC.
9/10/2008	0.50	Receive and review correspondence from FPC indicating file closure; correspondence to client; close file.
		<u>Amount</u>
	8.30	\$913.00
		For professional services rendered

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Additional charges:

	<u>Amount</u>
8/3/2007 MPD Open Records request	0.66
Total costs	<u>\$0.66</u>
Total amount of this bill	<u>\$913.66</u>
Balance due	<u><u>\$913.66</u></u>

(Rate: \$110.00 per hour)