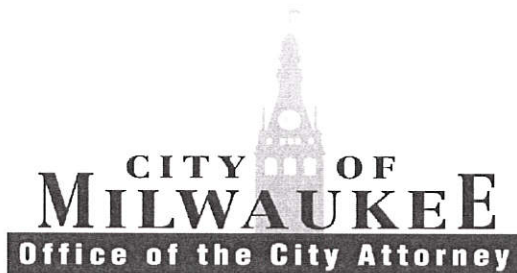


GRANT F. LANGLEY
City Attorney

VINCENT D. MOSCHELLA
MIRIAM R. HORWITZ
ADAM B. STEPHENS
MARY L. SCHANNING
Deputy City Attorneys



Milwaukee City Hall Suite 800 • 200 East Wells Street • Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202-3551
Telephone: 414.286.2601 • TDD: 414.286.2025 • Fax: 414.286.8550

STUART S. MUKAMAL
THOMAS J. BEAMISH
MAURITA F. HOUREN
JOHN J. HEINEN
SUSAN E. LAPPEN
JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
PATRICIA A. FRICKER
HEIDI WICK SPOERL
GREGG C. HAGOPIAN
ELLEN H. TANGEN
JAY A. UNORA
KATHRYN Z. BLOCK
KEVIN P. SULLIVAN
THOMAS D. MILLER
ROBIN A. PEDERSON
JEREMY R. MCKENZIE
PETER J. BLOCK
NICHOLAS P. DESIATO
JOANNA FRACZEK
JENNY YUAN
KAIL J. DECKER
ALLISON N. FLANAGAN
LA KEISHA W. BUTLER
PATRICK J. LEIGL
HEATHER H. HOUGH
ANDREA J. FOWLER
PATRICK J. MCCLAIN
NAOMI E. GEHLING
CALVIN V. FERMIN
BENJAMIN J. ROOVERS
ELLENY B. CHRISTOPOULOS
RACHEL S. KENNEDY
TYRONE M. ST. JUNIOR
Assistant City Attorneys

February 6, 2017

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

Re: Communication from Attorney Jon Cermele, Cermele & Matthews, S.C.
for legal fees for Police Officers Zachary Thoms and David Letteer

Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Jon Cermele for attorney's fees for representing for representing Police Officers Zachary Thoms and David Letteer. The claim is in the amount of \$3,972.50 for 22.7 hours of service billed at the rate of \$175 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 federal criminal investigation. No criminal charges were brought against the Police Officer 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
City Attorney


JAN A. SMOKOWICZ
Assistant City Attorney
JAS
Encls.

1032-2016-1150:236092

