City Council Memorandum

TO: **HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL** **DATE: AUGUST 20, 2019**

FROM: **CITY ATTORNEY** **WARDS: ALL**

SUBJECT: **OUTSIDE COUNSEL EXPENDITURE REPORT**

ISSUE:

The issue for City Council consideration is the Outside Counsel Expenditure Report for the period of April 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019, as provided in the outside counsel policy approved by City Council on June 16, 2015.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council receives and files the attached report.

BACKGROUND:

In the continuing effort of transparency and accountability, City Council approved the City Attorney's recommendation of quarterly reporting of the outside counsel expenditures. This report includes the current spending for the prior quarter and the cumulative spending from inception of the matter grouped by law firm name. All closed matters are highlighted and will not be included in the next report. It should be noted that bond counsel and contingency payments are not paid through the City's accounts payable division and therefore must be manually added to information derived from the City's accounting system. In the case of bond counsel payments, the payments are typically made directly by the bond trustee from bond proceeds. In the case of contingency payments, the payments are typically deducted from the funds received prior to deposit by the City.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact at this time.

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Attachment: Outside Counsel Expenditure Report