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*2/12/19*

INTERNAL  
OPERATIONS  
STANDING  
COMMITTEE

**OFFICE OF CONTRACTING  
AND PROCUREMENT**

February 6, 2019

HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL:

The Purchasing Division of the Finance Department recommends a Contract with the following firm(s) or person(s):

6000555      100% City Funding – Amend 1 – To Provide Assistance to the City of Detroit’s Law Department with Legal Counsel and Support on Information Technology Issue, including Acquisition of Hardware, Software, New Technology Systems and Maintenance Support. – Contractor: Ossian Law P.C. – Location: 701 Woodward Heights Blvd., Suite 117, Ferndale, MI 48220 – Contract Period: January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 – Total Contract Amount: \$150,000.00 **LAW** (*This Amendment is for extension of time only. Original Contract Expired on December 31, 2018*)

Respectfully submitted,

Boysie Jackson, Chief Procurement Officer  
Office of Contracting and Procurement

**BY COUNCIL MEMBER**           **MCCALISTER**          

**RESOLVED**, that Contract No. 6000555 referred to in the foregoing communication dated February 6, 2019, be hereby and is approved.



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Date: February 5, 2019

To: Honorable City Council

From: Law Department

Re: Law Department Report on MVA Settlements as authorized by resolution of the Detroit City Council.

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The Law Department has submitted a privileged and confidential memorandum regarding the above-referenced matter. Please submit this item for referral so that Council may consider any action that is necessary.

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Date: February 5, 2019  
To: Honorable City Council  
From: Law Department  
Re: Towing Rate Reduction Based Upon Hardship.

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The Law Department has submitted a privileged and confidential memorandum regarding the above-referenced matter. Please submit this item for referral so that Council may consider any action that is necessary.

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January 14, 2019

**HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL**

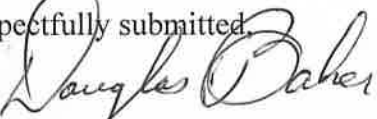
**RE: Allen Rimson v City of Detroit  
Civil Action Case No: 18-cv-12989**

Representation by the Law Department of the City employees or officers listed below is hereby announced, and we concur with the recommendation of the Head of the Department and believe that the City Council should find and determine that the suit against the Defendant arises out of or involves the performance in good faith of the official duties of such Defendant. We further recommend that the City undertake to indemnify the Defendant if there is an adverse judgment. We therefore, recommend a "YES" vote on the attached resolution.

Copies of the relevant documents are submitted under separate cover.

Employee(s) or Officer(s) requesting representation:

<b>P.O. Jacob Hebner</b>	<b>Badge No: 4218</b>
<b>P.O. Lakeshia Page</b>	<b>Badge No: 4015</b>
<b>P.O. Wallace Richards</b>	<b>Badge No: 4265</b>
<b>P.O. Antonio Allen</b>	<b>Badge No: 1214</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Douglas Baker, Chief of Criminal  
Enforcement and Quality of Life

APPROVED:

BY:   
LAWRENCE T. GARCIA  
CORPORATION COUNSEL

DB/sb

Attachments

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## RESOLUTION

By Council Member \_\_\_\_\_ :

**RESOLVED**, that the Law Department is hereby authorized under Section 13-11-1 et. seq. of the Municipal Code of the City of Detroit and in accordance with the foregoing communication to provide legal representation and indemnification to the following Employees or Officers in the lawsuit **Allen Rimson v City of Detroit, Civil Case No. 18-cv-11692.**

<b>P.O. Jacob Hebner</b>	<b>Badge No: 4218</b>
<b>P.O. Lakeshia Page</b>	<b>Badge No: 4015</b>
<b>P.O. Wallace Richards</b>	<b>Badge No: 4265</b>
<b>P.O. Antonio Allen</b>	<b>Badge No: 1214</b>

APPROVED:

BY: *Lawrence T. Garcia*  
LAWRENCE T. GARCIA  
CORPORATION COUNSEL



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February 5, 2019

**HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL**

**RE: LAWRENCE RUSSELL v CITY OF DETROIT**  
**CASE NO.: 15-002883-NO**  
**FILE NO.: L15-00155 (MBC)**

We have reviewed the above-captioned lawsuit, the facts and particulars of which are set forth in a confidential memorandum that is being separately hand-delivered to each member of Your Honorable Body. From this review, it is our considered opinion that the City should agree to the entry of an Order of Dismissal and enter into an Agreement to Arbitrate on the terms and conditions set forth in the following resolution.

We, therefore, request authorization to agree to entry of an Order of Dismissal and to enter into an Agreement to Arbitrate on the terms and conditions set forth in the following resolution and, upon certification by the Law Department that the arbitrators have announced a decision requiring the City to pay a designated sum to Lawrence Russell, and that Your Honorable Body direct the Finance Director to issue a draft payable to Lawrence Russell and his attorney, Lipton Law, in the amount the City is to pay pursuant to the arbitrators' decision, but said draft shall not exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00).

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Beth Cobbs  
Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel

**APPROVED: FEB 06 2019**

Charles N. Raimi  
Deputy Corporation Counsel

## RESOLUTION

BY COUNCIL MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_:

**RESOLVED**, that:

The Law Department is authorized to agree to entry of an Order of Dismissal and to enter into an Agreement to Arbitrate in the case of **Lawrence Russell v City of Detroit**, Wayne County Circuit Court Case No. 15-002883-NO, on the following terms and conditions:

- A.
1. The parties shall submit to arbitration all matters in controversy raised in the above-named lawsuit.
  2. The maximum amount of any award to the Plaintiff shall not exceed the amount of **One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00)**.
  3. Any award under **\$450,000.00** shall be interpreted to be in the amount of **\$450,000.00**.

Any award in excess of **\$1,500,000.00** shall be interpreted to be in the amount of **\$1,500,000.00**.

There shall be no costs, fees, attorney fees or interest taxable with respect to the award rendered by the arbitrators.

The award of the arbitrators shall represent a full and final settlement of any amounts due and owing to Plaintiff for any and all claims arising out of the incident which occurred on or about July 20, 2014 at or near the intersection of Selden and Aretha; however, limited judicial review may be obtained in a Michigan Federal District Court or Michigan Circuit Court of competent jurisdiction (a) in accordance with the standards for review of arbitration awards as established by law; or (b) on the ground that the arbitrators committed an error of law.

- B. Promptly after the arbitrators announce their decision, the Law Department shall inform City Council in writing of that decision.



C. Upon certification by the Law Department that the arbitrators have announced a decision requiring the City to pay part or all \$1,500,000.00 to the Plaintiff, the Finance Director is authorized to issue a draft drawn upon the proper account in favor of **Lawrence Russell and his attorneys, Lipton Law**, in the amount of the arbitrators' award, **but said draft shall not exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00).**

**APPROVED:**

LAWRENCE T. GARCIA  
Corporation Counsel

BY:

  
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Charles N. Raimi, Deputy  
Corporation Counsel

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# City of Detroit CITY COUNCIL

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**TO:** The Honorable City Council  
**FROM:** David Whitaker, Director   
Legislative Policy Division Staff  
**DATE:** February 4, 2019  
**RE:** CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

The Legislative Policy Division ("LPD") has been requested to update its February 13, 2018, report listing City Council's board and commission appointments. There are numerous boards, committees, commissions, corporations or authorities to which your Honorable Body makes appointments or plays a role in the selection of its members. Appointments are official once they are voted upon by the City Council and sworn into office by the City Clerk.

Please advise if you require additional information.

# CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

## Belle Isle Advisory Committee

Your Honorable Body makes one (1) appointment to this seven (7) member body.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Sommer Woods	Undefined

## Board of Zoning Appeals

The Board of Zoning Appeals is a seven (7)-member board appointed by the City Council. Members must be residents and not members of any other City agency, board, department or commission. Additionally, the seven (7) members shall come from each of the non-at large districts. Its members are appointed for three (3) year, staggered terms and may only be removed for cause:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>District</u>
Robert Weed	December 31, 2021	District 1
Vivian Teague	December 31, 2019	District 2
Elois Moore	December 31, 2019	District 3
Jacqueline Grant	December 31, 2019	District 4
Robert Thomas	December 31, 2021	District 5
Emmanuel Calzada	December 31, 2021	District 6
Kwame Finn	December 31, 2020	District 7

## Board of Trustees General Retirement System

The City Council appoints one of its members to this Board for a one (1) year term ending December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Scott Benson	December 31, 2021

**Board of Trustees Police and Fire Retirement System**

The City Council appoints one of its members to this Board for a one (1) year term ending December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Brenda Jones	December 31, 2021

**Board of Review (Property Tax)**

The City Council may sit as a board of review or it may appoint one. When appointed, there are nine (9) members, each appointed on the odd year for a two-year period. It has been City Council's practice for each member to designate one board member for appointment by the full Council. Members must be residents and not members of any other City agency, board, department or commission.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>District</u>
Leatha Larde	December 31, 2020	District 1
Mary Brazelton	December 31, 2020	District 2
Dianne Allen	December 31, 2020	District 3
Willie Donwell	December 31, 2020	District 4
Maria Muhammad	December 31, 2020	District 5
Rocio Ocampo	December 31, 2020	District 6
Lewis Moore	December 31, 2020	District 7
Glenda McPherson	December 31, 2020	at-large
Geraldine Chatman	December 31, 2020	at-large

**Brownfield Redevelopment Authority - Community Advisory Committee**

This is a nine (9)-member body with four (4) members appointed by the Mayor and four (4) members appointed by the City Council. The eight (8) appointees choose the ninth member. All members must be residents of the City.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Kamal Cheeks	June 30, 2019
Michelle Lee	June 30, 2019
Bradley Lutz	June 30, 2019
Sandra Stahl	June 30, 2019

**City Planning Commission**

The City Planning Commission is a nine (9) member advisory body to the City Council. Seven (7) of the members must come from each of the seven (7) non at-large districts. Commissioners must be residents of the City and as far as possible, represent different professions and occupations. Its members serve three (3) year staggered terms.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>District</u>
Fredrick E. Russell Jr.	February 14, 2021	District 1
Gregory Pawlowski	February 14, 2020	District 2
Alton James	February 14, 2021	District 3
Lisa Whitmore Davis	February 14, 2020	District 4
Lauren Hood	February 14, 2019	District 5
David Esparza	February 14, 2020	District 6
Angy Webb	February 14, 2021	District 7
Vacant		At-large
Brenda Goss Andrews	February 14, 2019	At-large

**Citizens Review Committee**

The Citizens Review Committee is an eleven (11)-member committee appointed by the City Council upon recommendation of the City Planning Commission. Each member serves a three (3) year term. This Committee has not met in many years.

<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Vacant	
Vacant	
Vacant	
Vacant	
Vacant	
Vacant	
Vacant	
Vacant	
Vacant	
Vacant	
Vacant	

**Civil Service Commission**

The Civil Service Commission is a five (5)-member body. Commissioners must be residents of the City and may not hold any other public office or public employment except notary public. Two (2) members are appointed by the City Council for a two (2) year term that begins on February 15<sup>th</sup> of each odd-numbered year. The Mayor and City Council shall jointly appoint one (1) member to a three (3) year term beginning February 15<sup>th</sup> after the expiration of the preceding term. Commissioners may only be removed for cause.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Edna Bell	February 15, 2020
Brenda Braceful	February 15, 2020
Nettie Seabrooks	February 15, 2019

**Continuum of Care**

The Continuum of Care is a planning process implemented by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide a coordinated, collaborative, and community-driven approach to allocating resources to communities to address the needs of people who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Mary Sheffield	December 31, 2021

**Detroit Building Authority**

This is a five (5) member board of commissioners of five (5). City Council appoints two (2) members, the Mayor appoints two (2) members (one whom shall be approved by City Council and the Mayor shall is also a member. All members of the commission shall be registered electors of the city. The terms of the commissioners shall be four (4) years,

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Christopher Jackson	January 31, 2022
Maggie DeSantis	January 31, 2022

**Detroit-Wayne County Health Authority**

The City Council appoints one member to this nine-member board.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Brenda Jones	December 31, 2021

**Detroit-Wayne Joint Building Authority**

There are three (3) members on the Joint Building Authority who serves a four (4) year term. The City Council appoints one (1) member, the Wayne County Commission appoints one (1) member and the third member is appointed upon agreement of the two bodies.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Sharon Madison	December 31, 2020
Lugene Nelson (joint)	December 31, 2020

### Eastern Market Corporation

The City Council selects two (2) of its members to sit on the board governing the Eastern Market.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Janeé Ayers	December 31, 2021
Hon. Gabe Leland	December 31, 2021

### Board of Ethics

The Board of Ethics is a seven (7) member board. The City Council appoints three members (3) members, the Mayor appoints three (3) members and one (1) member is a joint appointment. The members must be residents of the City and may not hold elective office, or be appointees or employees of the City. They also may not be the immediate family or a relative of the mayor, the deputy mayor, the city clerk or member of City Council. These are five (5) year appointments, up to two (2) consecutive terms not to exceed 10 years.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Ponce Clay	June 30, 2020
Robert Page, Jr.	June 30, 2020
Alicia Skillman	June 30, 2019
Alma Stallworth (joint)	June 30, 2019

### Entertainment Commission

The Entertainment Commission is a twelve (12) member advisory body. One (1) member is nominated by each City Council member and three (3) members are appointed by the Mayor. The commissioners serve three year terms.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>Nominator</u>
John Collins	February 14, 2016	Hon. Benson
Sophia Chue	February 14, 2019	Hon. Castañeda-López
Lola George	February 14, 2018	Hon. Tate
LaRonn Harris	February 14, 2016	Hon. Sheffield
Herman Jenkins	February 14, 2019	Hon. Spivey



**Entertainment Commission (cont'd)**

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>	<u>Nominator</u>
Gregory Reed	February 14, 2018	Hon. Jones
Gwendolyn Scales	February 14, 2017	Hon. Jenkins
Tony Stovall	February 14, 2015	Hon. Leland
Norman Thrasher	February 14, 2020	Hon. Cushingberry

**Historic Designation Advisory Board**

All members of the Historic Designation Advisory Board shall be residents of the city. The advisory board shall have a majority of persons who have a clearly demonstrated interest in or knowledge of historic preservation. The nine (9) permanent members of the advisory board shall be appointed by the city council and shall include at least one (1) representative from any existing historical preservation society (including, but not limited to, historic district associations).

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Vacant	
Melanie A. Bazil	February 14, 2020
Victoria Byrd-Olivier	February 14, 2021
Keith Dye	February 14, 2019
Louis Fisher	February 14, 2021
Zene' Frances Fogel-Gibson	February 14, 2020
Calvin Jackson	February 14, 2021
Theresa Holder-Hagood	February 14, 2019
Amy Swift	February 14, 2019

**Historical Museum Board**

The City Council has one (1) appoint to this board.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Brenda Jones	December 31, 2021

**Income Tax Board of Review**

The City Council appoints the three (3) members that comprise the board. All members shall be residents of the City and shall not be members of any City agency, department, commission or other board of City government. The appointments are for a one-year period.

<u>Council Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Keisha L. Glenn	February 14, 2019
Shannon Smith	February 14, 2018
Michael Wheeler	February 14, 2019

**Joint Employment Procurement & Advisory Board**

The City Council has three (3) appointments to this nine (9)-member board. The appointments are for an indefinite term.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Huey Gray III	Indefinite
DaRell Reed	Indefinite
Nia Watson	Indefinite

**Detroit Land Bank Authority**

City Council has confirmation authority for four (4) of the members of the five- (5) member board. Although under the Intergovernmental Agreement the Mayor chooses all four (4) members, the Mayor has agreed to allow City Council to chose one (1) of the members. However, if the City Council does not disapprove the appointment within thirty (30) days after submission by the Mayor, the appointment is confirmed.

<u>Council Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Rasul Raheem (Council)	June 30, 2019

**Millennial Mayors Congress**

City Council has one (1) appointment this organization. This congress is comprised of representatives from twenty-three (23) communities from Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne Counties. The appointment must be a city resident between the ages of 18 and 35.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
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Vacant	
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**New International Trade Crossing Advisory Group**

Council Appointee

Hon. Raquel Castañeda-López

**Public Lighting Authority**

City Council has two (2) appointments to this five (5) member body. The members must be city residents. Three of the five members must be a licensed certified public accountant, an attorney licensed to practice in the State of Michigan and a licensed professional engineer. City Council must also select another member from a list of three names provided by the Mayor.

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
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Rod Parker (CPA)	December 31, 2020
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Rick Pruess	December 31, 2020
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Melvin Butch Hollowell (joint)	December 31, 2020
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**Retiree Protection Investment Advisory Committee**

<u>Council Appointee</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
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Hon. Scott Benson	December 31, 2021
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**Risk Management Council**

City Council has one (1) appointment to this nine (9) member body.

<u>Council Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
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David D. Whitaker	Indefinite
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Irvin Corley, Jr. (alternate)	Indefinite
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**The Riverfront Conservancy**

Your Honorable Body has one (1) appointment to the Board of Directors.

Council Appointment

Term Ending Date

Hon. Mary Sheffield

December 31, 2021

**Towing Rate Commission**

This is a five (5)-member commission chaired by the Auditor General and includes the Director of Consumer Affairs (or designated representative), the Police Chief, a member of the public selected by the Mayor and a representative of the towing industry appointed by the City Council. The Commission meets every two years.

Council Appointment

Not In Session

**Southeast Michigan Council of Governments**

City Council has two representatives on the board.

Council Appointment

Term Ending Date

Hon. Scott Benson

December 31, 2021

Hon. Brenda Jones

December 31, 2021

**Woodward Light Rail Transit Authority**

Your Honorable Body has two (2) appointments to the seven (7) -member Board of Directors.

Council Appointment

Term Ending Date

Henry Gaffney

Indefinite

Robert Polk

Indefinite

**Detroit Zoological Society Board of Directors**

City Council received two seats on the Board of Directors when the Zoological Society took over the management of the Detroit Zoo.

<u>Council Appointees</u>	<u>Term Ending Date</u>
Hon. Andre Spivey	December 31, 2021
Hon. James Tate	December 31, 2021

In addition to the above appointees Your Honorable Body has also selected Council Member Brenda Jones as a liaison between the City Council and the Detroit Board of Education.