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ΓO: Personnel Committee

FROM: Kathleen M. McDaniel, City Attorney RE: City Attorney's Office Update

DATE: January 2, 2018

In addition to drafting legislation as requested by City departments, the City Attorney's Office has worked on the following projects and initiatives since our last meeting:

### **Environmental Remediation**

- Lemberger Landfill: Project continues as planned. Budget planning for next year has started.
- Gravel Pit: Pond construction is completed. A second cost recovery meeting with the umpire was held on December 18 in Milwaukee. Newell Rubbermaid withdrew from the settlement discussions.
- 1512 Washington: Planning is beginning for remediation.
- MPU Lead Pipe issues: Work with outside counsel to prepare responses to MPU

# **Litigation and Prosecution**

• Big Jay's: Litigation continues. Council received a closed session update on this in December.

### LEAN/BPI

- BPI event on attacking/biting animal notices will be held in January.
- Assisted staff with advice on other BPI events.

### Neighborhood Improvement

- 314-316 Riverview Drive: Settlement agreement was not complied with. We have asked for a court date.
- Property update provided to Public Safety Committee
- Assist Mayor with preparation of blight plan as directed in 2018 Budget

### **Insurance**

- Reviewed claims filed against the City.
- Discussed large pending claims with appropriate carrier.

### Open Records

• New recorder and software for email compliance is installed and functioning per MPU

### **Labor Matters**

• Fire Contract reviewed with HR Director and Fire Chief. Preparation for bargaining continues.

# Office Matters

• Staff Attorney is now working full time as of January 2, 2018.

### **Monthly Reporting**

- Since my December 1, 2017 report:
  - o 22 Requests for Legal Services were received, 27 were closed
  - o 12 new litigation matters were opened, 1 was closed
  - O 57 new citations were sent over for prosecution, 15 were closed, 1 was held open