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Doug Long, General Manager  
Ambrose Recreation and Park District  
3055 Willow Pass Road  
Bay Point, California 94565

Re: Legal Services Contract—Rate Increase

Dear Mr. Long:

This letter is to seek agreement from the Ambrose Recreation and Park District for an increase in the hourly rate charged by my office for legal services. The new hourly rate will be \$200.00 per hour—an increase of \$10.00 or approximately 5.0%. The new rate would become applicable for services rendered starting in October 2022.

As you know, my office was selected as the General Counsel in April 2014. The initial hourly rate charged by my office for said services was \$180.00, which was increased to \$190.00 in July 2016. This hourly rate has remained at that rate since then and is likely well below the hourly rate charged by similar practitioners in Contra Costa County.

Article II, Paragraph A of the Contract for Legal Services allows for the increase in the hourly rate for General Counsel services upon agreement of the parties. The basis for the hourly rate increase is the higher costs for operation of my office, including, among other things, malpractice insurance, materials and supplies and vendor services. It should be noted that the Consumer Price Index for the San Francisco Bay Area during the six-year period has gone up almost 20%.

Please let me know if the District is agreeable to the hourly rate increase to \$200.00, effective October 1, 2022. If the District agrees to the rate increase, then it can be documented by a short letter agreement.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and I look forward to continued service as General Counsel to the District.

Sincerely,



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