

Mayoral Directive - MDS-2025-02 (Disclosure of Council-Initiated Legal Expenditures 2024-2025)

Council initiated Legal Costs

NOTE: We do not have external counsel on retainer

Meeting Date where direction provided	Issue	SERVICE PROVIDER	AMOUNT	ISSUE
8-Apr-24	Closed Meeting	Cunningham Swan	\$1,186.50	amount includes other day-to-day operational legal fees
22-Apr-24	Closed Meeting	Cunningham Swan	\$480.25	amount includes other day-to-day operational legal fees
27-May-24	Closed Meeting	Cunningham Swan	included in above amount for Cunningham Swan	
6-Aug-24	Closed Meeting			
15-Oct-24	Tony Fleming Attendance at Meeting	Cunningham Swan	\$282.50	
25-Nov-24	Pending A Legal Review - members of the Rideau Lakes Grassroots group not be permitted as a delegation or within Council Chambers, until such time that Council receives information from the Rideau Lakes Grassroots Group on how they received confidential information as they presented at the November 4th meeting	Cunningham Swan	\$1,610.25	amount includes other day-to-day operational legal fees

22-Apr-25	Closed Meeting	Cunningham Swan	\$3,870.25	
5-May-25	Closed Meeting	Cunningham Swan	\$904.00	amount includes other day-to-day operational legal fees
12-May-25	Hire expert to clarify legal framework and implications of Strong Mayor Powers	Aird Berlis	\$2,702.96	
22-May-25	Seek legal and constitutional expert to challenge Ford Government's Strong Mayor Powers	Aird Berlis	included in above amount for Aird Berlis	
26-May-25	Closed Meeting	Cunningham Swan	\$1,949.25	
28-May-25	requests a legal opinion on whether the mayor's veto constitutes a misuse of Strong Mayor Powers under the Municipal Act.	Cunningham Swan	\$10,298.82	
28-May-25	Request legal opinion if Veto constitutes misuse of Strong Mayor Powers (MD-2025-01-a)	Cunningham Swan	included in above amount for Aird Berlis	
2-Jun-25	Reimburse Legal Fees - Carr	N/A	\$2,062.25	
7-Jul-25	obtain written financial opinion (Hub-Chantry)	Not completed on advise of CAO		
14-Jul-25	Closed Meeting	Aird Berlis	included in above amount for Aird Berlis	

5-Aug-25	Closed Meeting	Aird Berlis	included in above amount for Aird Berlis	
15-Sep-25	Closed Meeting	Aird Berlis	included in above amount for Aird Berlis	
14-Oct-25	Closed Meeting	invoice not received		
14-Oct-25	Closed Meeting	Cunningham Swan	\$1,610.25	amount includes other day-to-day operational legal fees
20-Oct-25	Closed Meeting	invoice not received		

TOTALS 2024 and 2025

HST Recoverable

Total to Date

\$26,957.28

\$3,030.00

\$23,927.28