

Gregory J. Logan City-Parish Attorney

April 4, 2023

Mr. Tommy LeJeune, CPA Faulk & Winkler 6811 Jefferson Highway Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Via E-Mail <u>tlejeune@fw-cpa.com</u> and Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested 7021 1970 0001 4380 8920

Re: Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government City Council Investigation of Unauthorized Payments

Dear Mr. LeJeune:

It has come to my attention that Faulk & Winkler has received payments in violation of City Ordinance CO-164-2022. As you are likely aware, that ordinance specifically requires the amounts appropriated shall only be disbursed upon the approval of the Lafayette City Council, via resolution or ordinance. From my review, the following payments were paid without a resolution or ordinance:

DATE	INVOICE #	PAYMENT CHECK #	AMOUNT
11/14/2022	149093	352406	\$8,650.00
12/16/2022	149459	353434	\$3,700.00
01/31/2023	146871	355975	\$25,500.00
02/10/2023	149943	356766	\$3,690.00
TOTAL			\$41,540.00

These payments were made by direct payment requisition of Councilwoman Nanette Cook and Council Clerk, Veronica Williams without proper authority. Because of the fiduciary relationship between your firm and Lafayette Consolidated Government, it is incumbent upon Faulk & Winkler that the amount improperly distributed be returned to Lafayette Consolidated Government upon your receipt of this demand.

If the funds are not returned, or suitable arrangements made on or before April 10, 2023, I will have no choice but to pursue legal action for refund of public money improperly disbursed without authority.

Lafavette City-Parish Attorney

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