

City Attorney Legal Services Fees

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- City Attorney Allen Taylor has represented the city since 1987
- Taylor, Olson, Adkins, Sralla, & Elam, LLP (TOASE) provides legal services to over 40 public agencies in the state and has over 250 years of combined experience practicing local governmental law
- Areas of practice include municipal law, employment, eminent domain, zoning and land use, economic development, real estate, delinquent tax collection, municipal court prosecution, and elections

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- Staff anticipates that TOASE legal services fees will be between \$295,000 and \$325,000 in Fiscal Year 24-25
- For Fiscal Year 23-24, the City Council authorized staff to pay TOASE \$308,000 for legal services, and the City paid approximately \$280,000 for the year
- As of January 1, 2025, the hourly rate of all TOASE timekeepers will increase by \$15.00/hour, and the hourly rates will range from \$145/hour to \$245/hour depending on credentials, complexity of the issue, etc.
- Staff seeks spending authorization to pay TOASE up to \$325,000 for legal services for Fiscal Year 24-25



Questions?

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