

## Legal Expenses

### *Budget Information*

	FY25 Adopted Budget	FY25 to Date	FY25 Projected	FY26 Proposed
Legal Services*	\$ 325,000.00	\$ 277,988.24	\$ 416,982.36	\$ 466,000.00

FY25 projected figure is based on spending year to date.

\*Please note the legal services budget is split between the General Fund (75%) and the Water & Sewer Operating Fund (25%). The above figures represent the totals across both funds.

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Summary - Billings to date

Year to Date	
Topic	Hours
General Matter	331.35
Charles and Marygay Cross, et al.	3.30
Citizens for Fauquier County (FOIA)	8.00
Community Development	132.10
IT	1.20
Prosecutions	301.20
Public Works/Utilities	5.20
3 Hotel Street (Macdonald)	26.60
45 Winchester Street (Macdonald)	23.50
Town Council	19.00
Planning Commission	3.50
Code Enforcement	22.00
Land Records	6.50
Annexation	24.50
Amazon Case (Data Center Rezoning)	0.75
FOIA Case (appeal VA SCT)	42.25
FOIA Issues	28.00
<b>Total hours to date</b>	<b>978.95</b>
<b>Total billings to date</b>	<b>277,988.24</b>

<b>Average monthly bill</b>	<b>\$ 34,748.53</b>
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Firm	First 40 hrs. attorney time/monthly minimum*	Attorney time - after 40 hrs.	Paralegal Time
Sands Anderson	\$11,000	\$325/hr.	\$175/hr.
Chap Petersen & Associates	\$15,000	\$375/\$300/hr.	\$175/hr.

\*Chap Petersen & Associates engagement letter states a minimum monthly payment of \$15,000. Previous agreement with Sands Anderson stated a reduced fee of \$11,000 for the first 40 hours for attorney time.

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Detail - Billings to date

July	
Topic	Hours
General Matter	30.2
Charles and Marygay Cross, et al.	1
Citizens for Fauquier County (FOIA)	1.3
Community Development	31.1
Prosecutions	76.2
3 Hotel Street (Macdonald)	8.2
45 Winchester Street (Macdonald)	8
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>156.0</b>
<b>Total bill</b>	<b>\$ 44,520.61</b>

October	
Topic	Hours
General Matter	33.8
Charles and Marygay Cross, et al.	0.5
Citizens for Fauquier County (FOIA)	0.1
Community Development	12.4
Prosecutions	49.3
Public Works/Utilities	0.8
3 Hotel Street (Macdonald)	3.1
45 Winchester Street (Macdonald)	2.7
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>102.7</b>
<b>Total bill</b>	<b>\$ 29,011.24</b>

January - Chap Petersen & Associates*	
Topic	Hours
Town Council	3.5
Planning Commission	2
Code Enforcement	7
Land Records	2.25
Annexation	2.75
3 Hotel Street	0.5
General	68.75
Amazon Case (Data Center Rezoning)	0.75
FOIA Case (appeal VA SCT)	18.5
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>106</b>
<b>Total bill</b>	<b>\$ 30,671.92</b>

\*Services provided 1/8/2025 - 1/31/2025

August	
Topic	Hours
General Matter	43.9
Charles and Marygay Cross, et al.	0
Citizens for Fauquier County (FOIA)	4.4
Community Development	20.4
Prosecutions	50.5
3 Hotel Street (Macdonald)	0.1
45 Winchester Street (Macdonald)	0.1
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>119.4</b>
<b>Total bill</b>	<b>\$ 35,592.24</b>

November	
Topic	Hours
General Matter	37.3
Charles and Marygay Cross, et al.	0.8
Citizens for Fauquier County (FOIA)	0.9
Community Development	15.1
Prosecutions	46.3
Public Works/Utilities	4.4
3 Hotel Street (Macdonald)	7.4
45 Winchester Street (Macdonald)	7.5
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>119.7</b>
<b>Total bill</b>	<b>\$ 32,549.61</b>

January - Sands Anderson	
Topic	Hours
General Matter	28.7
Charles and Marygay Cross, et al.	0.6
Community Development	2.8
IT	0.1
Prosecutions	27.7
3 Hotel Street (Macdonald)	0.3
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>60.2</b>
<b>Total bill</b>	<b>\$ 16,111.72</b>

\*Services provided 1/1/2025 - 1/29/2025

September	
Topic	Hours
General Matter	43.6
Charles and Marygay Cross, et al.	0.2
Citizens for Fauquier County (FOIA)	1.1
Community Development	39.5
Prosecutions	27
3 Hotel Street (Macdonald)	5.9
45 Winchester Street (Macdonald)	4.1
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>121.4</b>
<b>Total bill</b>	<b>\$ 35,768.87</b>

December	
Topic	Hours
General Matter	31.1
Charles and Marygay Cross, et al.	0.2
Citizens for Fauquier County (FOIA)	0.2
Community Development	10.8
IT	1.1
Prosecutions	24.2
3 Hotel Street (Macdonald)	1.1
45 Winchester Street (Macdonald)	1.1
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>69.8</b>
<b>Total bill</b>	<b>\$ 19,712.73</b>

February	
Topic	Hours
Town Council	15.5
Planning Commission	1.5
Code Enforcement	15
Land Records	4.25
Annexation	21.75
3 Hotel Street	0
General	14
Amazon Case (Data Center Rezoning)	0
FOIA Case (appeal VA SCT)	23.75
FOIA Issues	28
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>123.75</b>
<b>Total bill</b>	<b>\$ 34,049.30</b>