

## **STAFF REPORT**

**Warrenton Town Council** 

Carter Nevill, Mayor Heather Sutphin, Ward 1 William Semple, Ward 2 Brett Hamby, Ward 3 James Hartman, Ward 4 Vice Mayor Eric Gagnon, Ward 5 Paul Mooney, At Large David McGuire, At Large

**Council Meeting Date:** August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Agenda Title:** Legal Action: Direction of the Town Council

**Requested Action:** Direct the Town Attorney on how the Town Council wishes to proceed

with the CFFC Lawsuit case.

**Department / Agency Lead:** Town Attorney

**Staff Lead:** Town Attorney, Martin Crim.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Court of Appeals has issued a ruling for CFFC vs. the Town of Warrenton regarding exemptions under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act

The Town Attorney is requesting direction from the Town Council on how they wish to proceed. The Council Was briefed in closed session. Draft motions for consideration are below.

**Motion 1:** I move to authorize the Town Attorney to file an appeal to the Virginal Supreme Court in Citizens for Fauquier County v. the Town regarding exemptions under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

**Motion 2:** I move to direct the Town Attorney not to file an appeal to the Virginia Supreme Court in Citizens for Fauquier County v. the Town regarding exemptions under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.