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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Chasity Wells-Armstrong, City of Kankakee  
Dennis Baron, Alderman, City of Kankakee  
Carl Brown, Alderman, City of Kankakee  
Mark Wakat, Representative, City of Kankakee

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CC: Bruce W. Adams, Mayor, Village of Bradley  
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Brian Stump, Mayor, Village of Aroma Park

Michael J. McGrath, Odelson & Sterk, Ltd.

DATE: August 16, 2018

RE: Kankakee River Metropolitan Agency Director & Officer Stipends

You have inquired about the proper level of compensation and stipends received by Directors and Officers of the Kankakee River Metropolitan Agency (the "KRMA").

As discussed in a previous memorandum, KRMA exists, pursuant to the "Amended and Restated Municipal Joint Sewage Treatment Agency Intergovernmental Agreement" (the "IGA") and the KRMA By-Laws, all of which were adopted by the participating municipalities pursuant to, *inter alia*, Section 3.4 of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1, *et seq.*

The KRMA By-Laws provide the level of compensation for the KRMA Board of Directors. *See* KRMA By-Laws, Art. II, § 9. We have been advised that the most recent amendment to this section of the KRMA By-Laws was passed by the KRMA Board of Directors on May 15, 2007 (Resolution No. R-2007-5, "A resolution approving an amendment to the By-Laws of the Agency"). A copy of Resolution No. R-2007-5 (the "Resolution") is attached hereto.

Pursuant to the Resolution, Article II, Section 9 of the KRMA By-Laws was amended to state:



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**SECTION 9: COMPENSATION**

Directors may be reimbursed for their actual expenses incurred with regard to Agency business and shall be paid \$600.00 per month as and for an regular and special meetings attended and other Director duties performed, except for the Chair of the Board, who shall be paid \$700.00 per month for such services; the Vice-Chair of the Board, who shall be paid \$650.00 per month for such services; and the Secretary of the Board, who shall be paid \$625.00 per month for such services.

Therefore, based on the passage of the Resolution and the amendment to the KRMA By-Laws, the original compensation for Directors set at \$50.00 per meeting attended and reimbursement for actual expenses incurred was increased, with a per-month payment schedule, and with differing compensation for Directors who also serve as KRMA officers.

In order to avoid further confusion and inaccurate reporting, we would advise that the Resolution (and any other amendments to the By-Laws) be posted to the KRMA website or other be made readily available.

Should you require any information, or should you have any questions whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

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*Christine Durso*  
CITY CLERK  
CITY OF KANKAKEE

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