

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION  
OF SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR TAX LIEN SALES  
AND IN-REM FORECLOSURES**

**Whereas**, pursuant to Section 153 of the Charter of the City of Mount Vernon, the Corporation Counsel, with the written consent of the Mayor, may engage legal counsel for compensation as approved by the Board of Estimate and Contract in matters involving the City; and

**Whereas**, by letter dated May 16, 2025, the Corporation Counsel recommended the retention of the Oxman Law Group, PLLC (“Oxman”) to provide legal counsel and guidance to the City regarding Tax Lien Sales and In-Rem Foreclosures; and

**Whereas**, Oxman has agreed to provide such legal services at the following rates:

- Partners: \$350 per hour
- Associate Attorneys: \$300 per hour
- Paralegals: \$100 per hour; and

**Whereas**, for delinquent properties included in the 2025 tax lien sales, Oxman will charge the City a flat fee of \$175.00 per parcel; and

**Whereas**, funding for this engagement is available through Budget Code A1010-405 (Outside Contracted Services); **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

**Resolved**, that the City of Mount Vernon, through its Board of Estimate and Contract, hereby ordains and enacts the following:

**Section 1. Retention of Special Counsel.** The Oxman Law Group, PLLC is hereby retained to serve as special counsel to the City of Mount Vernon for matters relating to Tax Lien Sales and In-Rem Foreclosures.

**Section 2. Compensation.** Compensation shall be made in accordance with the hourly rates and flat fee structure as outlined in the Engagement Letter dated May 16, 2025.

**Section 3. Funding Source.** All compensation due for services rendered under this engagement shall be paid from Budget Code A1010-405 (Outside Contracted Services).

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Board of Estimate and Contract.