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Honorable Board of Estimates and Contracts Committee
(Through the Office of the Mayor)
City of Mount Vernon
1 Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, New York 10550

**Retention of the Oxman Law Group, PLLC (hereinafter "Oxman")
To Provide Legal Guidance on Tax Lien Sales and In-Rem Foreclosures**

Dear Honorable Board Members,

Per Section 153 of the Charter of the City of Mount Vernon, I respectfully request the enactment of a resolution to retain the Oxman Law Group, PLLC, to provide legal guidance on Tax Lien Sales and In-Rem Foreclosures.

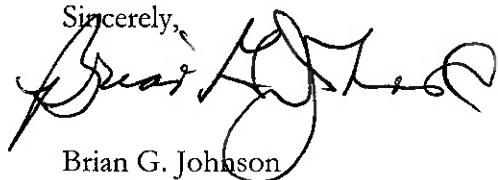
Oxman Office of Kristen K. Wilson has offered to provide its legal services and related advice at the following municipal hourly rates:

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

In addition, Oxman will bill the City a flat fee of \$175.00 per parcel for those delinquent properties to be auctioned during the 2025 tax lien sales. This flat fee includes preparing all documents required to effectuate a sale, acting as the City's contact point for responding to property owners' questions and concerns, conducting the auction, acting as the contact point for bidders' questions, and preparing the tax lien certificate for each successful bidder.

For those properties whose liens do not sell at auction, Oxman will provide in rem legal services at the municipal rate of \$290 per hour. Funding for this engagement is available under Budget Code A1010- 405 (Outside Contracted Services). Please feel free to reach out to me for additional information or clarification. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian G. Johnson", written over a horizontal line.

Brian G. Johnson
Corporation Counsel

cc: Shawyn Patterson-Howard, Mayor
Darren M. Morton, Comptroller
Danielle Brown, City Council President