

Agenda Item: 5.a.

Memorandum

To: Finance, Legal, and Expenditure Subcommittee

Subject: Account Over 110% - 01-01-00-4051

Date: July 10, 2006

From: Martin P. Cleveland

The budgeted amount for Account #01-01-00-4051 (Vehicles/Equipment – Gas and Oil) was \$95,000. The current expenditures for this account are \$107,890.20, or 113.6% of budget. The account is used for fuel (gasoline and diesel) and oil supplies for District vehicles and equipment. This includes the District's construction and maintenance equipment, such as tractors, scrapers, excavators, dump trucks.

The Fiscal Year 2006 Budget was set in July 2005, based on prior year gas and oil expenditures. Since that date gasoline and diesel prices have increased at least \$1.00/gallon (about 33% increase) and subsequently increased this account expenditures.

It is the staff recommendation that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that Account #01-01-00-4051 "Vehicles/Equipment – Gas and Oil" be allowed to exceed 110% of the budgeted amount of \$95,000.

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Memorandum

To: Finance, Legal, and Expenditure Subcommittee

Subject: Accounts Over 110%

- 01-01-00-4090 – Directors Per Diem
- 01 01-00 4311 – Public Notices
- 01 01-00 4392 – General Attorney Fees

Date: July 10, 2006

From: Pat Teer

There are three general accounts over 100%. There following are the explanations:

Acct. #01 01-00 4090 – Directors Per Diem: The budgeted amount for this account is \$24,000. The current expenditure for this account is \$31,973 or 133.2% of budget. There were two Special Board Meetings held during this fiscal year and numerous individual meetings of Directors during the January – April, 2006 timeframe where per diem was claimed.

Acct. #01 01-00 4311 – Public Notices. The budgeted amount for this account is \$15,000. The current expenditures for this account is \$23,726.89 or 158.2% of budget. The following expenditures were incurred during the month of June to advertise the General Manager's position:

Chicago Times	3,500.00
Career Links	295.00
Des Moines Register	1,575.05
Kansas City Star	1,825.14
Denver Post	1,618.22
	8,813.41

The District has not yet received billings from the Omaha World Herald, Lincoln Journal Star or the Minneapolis Star Tribune.

Acct. #01 01-00 4392 – General – Attorney Fees. The budgeted amount for this account is \$50,000. The current expenditure for this account is \$87,22.63 or 175.2% over budget. The overage is a payment of \$50,630.46 to McGrath North Mullin and Kratz for services rendered.

It is the staff recommendation that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the following accounts be allowed to exceed 110% of budgeted amount:

- **01-01-00-4090 – Directors Per Diem**
- **01 01-00 4311 – Public Notices**
- **01 01-00 4392 – General Attorney Fees**

Agenda Item: 5.e.

Memorandum

To: Finance, Legal, and Expenditure Subcommittee

Subject: Account Over 110% - 01-05-00-4485 Water Quality Monitoring

Date: July 3, 2006

From: Gerry Bowen

The budgeted amount for Account #01-05-00-4485 (Water Quality Monitoring) was \$62,700. The current expenditures for this account are \$75,464, or 120% of budget. The account is used for water quality monitoring, stream gauge, and rain gauges. The District contracts with the US Geological Survey to test groundwater from the well nests and for the routine monitoring of irrigation wells, as well as operation and maintenance of the Omaha Creek gauge at Homer. The account overage occurred because an incorrect figure was put in the FY 2006 budget. The amount should have been \$75,464.

The agreements with USGS for these services cover portions of two federal fiscal years, but only one of the District's. The budgeted amount did not take into consideration that some billings for FY 07 were received in FY 06 for payment.

It is the staff recommendation that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that Account #01-05-00-4485 "Water Quality Monitoring" be allowed to exceed 110% of the budgeted amount of \$62,700.