

II. Zoning.

This category covers the review of all land use issues, including comprehensive plan amendments (map & text), handling quasi-judicial matters, and drafting or revising land development regulations. It includes as well, preparation and attendance at LPA and Council zoning meetings and general advice to the Village's building and planning departments.

Significant work for the month of January included:

- Research current regulations pertaining to “farmers’ markets.”
- Review proposed State legislation that may impact the Village and forward same to Village Manager and Village Planning Director.

For the month of January approximately 22.7 hours of work were expended under this category. The amount billed to the City for fees and costs was \$259.00. For fiscal year 2013-2014, the amount billed to the City in this category is \$6,160.50.

III. Code Enforcement.

This category includes the review of pending code enforcement matters and representation of staff before the Code Enforcement Special Magistrate.

January saw minimal activity in this category; communications with Village staff regarding an anonymous complaint of an unpermitted tree house. For the month of January approximately 0.7 hours of work were expended under this category. The amount billed to the City for fees and costs was \$129.50. For fiscal year 2013-2014, the amount billed to the City in this category is \$129.50.¹

IV. Litigation.

This category includes all pending administrative and civil litigation. The City is the defendant in all pending litigation matters. Furthermore, in some pending litigation matters the City is represented by outside legal counsel appointed by the City's insurance carrier – the Florida League of Cities through the Florida Municipal Insurance Trust.

The spike in activity in December receded during the month of January even though this category continued to require attention. Work was done on the following active litigation matters:

Miscellaneous Litigation – Various Minor Claims Involving the Village: \$148.00 (document review in garnishment matter and bankruptcy case)

Palmetto Bay Foreclosures – Code Enforcement and Special Assessment Liens Filed against Properties that are Being Foreclosed: \$1,805.00 (the City is a named co-defendant in almost two dozen foreclosure suits. Each file was reviewed, appropriate follow up with opposing counsel was taken and a Notice of Appearance and Answer – where appropriate – was filed with the court.)

^{1/} Please note this figure **does not** include the services of the Special Magistrate, which is separately budgeted.

Palmer Trinity vs. Village of Palmetto Bay – Development Order Dispute: \$74.00 (communicate with S. Price regarding community outreach meetings)

For the month of January December approximately 10.6 hours of work were expended under this category. The amount billed to the City for fees and costs was \$1,927.00. For fiscal year 2013-2014, the amount billed to the City in this category is \$8,836.80.

VI. Conclusion.

Based upon historical data the legal expenditures for the first several months of FY 2013-2014 are below previous years' expenditures. Set forth below is a chart of the proposed and actual YTD budget numbers, and a comparison to the previous two years.

Legal Budget Category	Fiscal Year 2011-12 Actual Budget	Fiscal Year 2012-13 Actual Budget	Adopted Budget Fiscal Year 2013-14	Fiscal Year 2013-14 Year-to-Date
General	\$185,016.00	\$140,895.00	\$180,000.00	\$13,032.50
Zoning Applications	\$21,832.00	\$37,936.00	\$30,000.00	\$6,160.50
Code Enforcement	\$1,981.00	\$9,619.00	\$5,000.00	\$129.50
Litigation	\$181,499.00	\$84,640.00	\$158,800.00	\$8,836.80
TOTAL	\$390,328.00	\$273,090.00	\$373,800.00	\$28,159.30