MEMORANDUM

TO: Charlotte City Council

FROM: Thomas M. Hitch, City Attorney

RE: CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

DATE: November 20, 2015

The following is my report to the City Council on several issues in which our office has been engaged since the last Council meeting:

- 1. <u>Personnel Issues</u>. As I reported, the Prosecutor's Office is assisting the City in seeking to forfeit a portion of Carrie Bowerman's retirement benefits. The hearing has now been adjourned to November 25, 2015, but defense counsel has indicated that he might be seeking an adjournment. MERS has prepared reports showing the amount of money that Ms. Bowerman would forfeit and that has been distributed to the City Manager and Treasurer, as well as to the Prosecutor's Office and Ms. Bowerman's defense counsel. I will keep the Council apprized as this proceeds.
- 2. <u>In Mold Solutions Tax Delinquency</u>. The Complaint has been completed. I have discussed this matter with the City Manager and I will be making contact with the attorney for In Mold prior to filing the lawsuit, in hopes that we can resolve the matter short of filing suit. In these cases, providing counsel with a copy of the Complaint before it is filed may facilitate their interest in resolving the matter. Again, I will keep the Council apprized on whether it is necessary to file the suit.

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