## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Charlotte City Council

FROM:

Thomas M. Hitch, City Attorney

RE:

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

DATE:

September 30, 2021

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

- 1. <u>Audit Report</u>. I have prepared the report and have forwarded to the auditors.
- 2. <u>Sale of Shaw Street Property</u>. I continue to consult with the City Manager regarding the sale of the property. We discussed Section 8.24 of the City Charter which appears to indicate the City must obtain a determination of market value. We discussed the issue regarding retaining someone to appraise the property, and given the value of the property, it was my recommendation that the City not spend what a MAI appraiser would charge. It would be my opinion that a local real estate agent familiar with property sales in Charlotte and in the surrounding area would meet the requirements of a competent real estate appraiser for purposes of providing an estimate of the fair market value of the property.
- 3. <u>Conversations with the City Manager</u>. From time to time, I continue to have conversations with the City Manager regarding a variety of City matters.

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