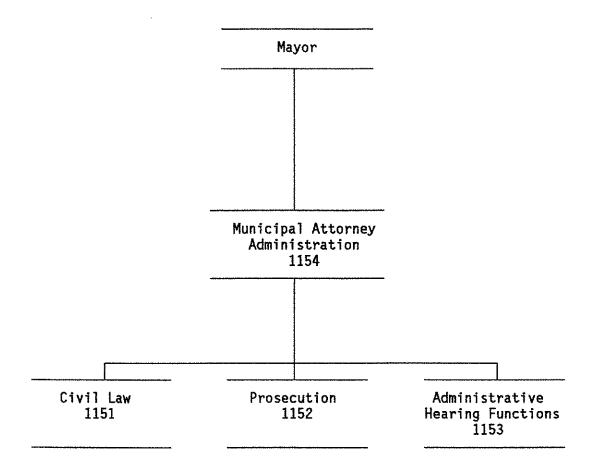
# MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY

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#### **DEPARTMENT SUMMARY**

Department

## **MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY**

#### Mission

To provide for the delivery of legal services to all phases of Municipal government operations; management of all civil litigation to which the Municipality is a party; and the judicial prosecution of misdemeanor criminal offenses in direct support of enforcement activities carried out by the Anchorage Police Department.

## **Major Program Highlights**

- Perform mandated executive support functions and serve as principal legal advisor to the Mayor and Municipal Assembly.
- Assist the Department of Employee Relations, as directed, in the conduct of ongoing labor contract negotiations.
- Provide in-house administrative hearing officer for the initial adjudication of citations issued under the DWI Vehicle Impound/Forfeiture Ordinance and AMC Title 14.
- Administer ongoing code update services contract in direct consultation with the Municipal Clerk's Office.
- Update and amend the Anchorage Criminal Code to achieve better uniformity with corresponding State and Federal statutes.

| Resources        | 1994        | 1995        |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Direct Costs     | \$3,776,330 | \$3,449,420 |
| Program Revenues | \$ 399,500  | \$ 413,700  |
| Personnel        | 54FT 1PT 1T | 52FT 1PT    |

## 1995 RESOURCE PLAN

DEPARTMENT: MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY

|  | FINANCIA     | L SUMMARY   |         |       | PE    | RSONNE | LS  | UMMA | RY    |       |        |
|--|--------------|-------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|-----|------|-------|-------|--------|
| DIVISION                                     | 1994 REVISED | 1995 BUDGET |         | 1994  | REVIS | ED     |     |      | 199   | 5 BUD | GET    |
|  |              |             | ] FT    | PT    | ٣     | TOTAL  | 1   | FT   | ₽T    | Ŧ     | TOTAL  |
| CIVIL  | 1,474,820    | 1,477,130   | 21      |       | 1     | 22     | ı   | 21   | 1     |       | 22     |
| PROSECUTION                                  | 1,789,020    | 1,588,710   | 27      |       |       | 27     | 1   | 26   |       |       | 26     |
| HEARING OFFICER                              | 256,860      | 135,090     | 3       | 1     |       | 4      | 1   | 2    |       |       | 2      |
| LAW ADMIN                                    | 255,630      | 248,490     | 3       |       |       | 3      | 1   | 3    |       |       | 3<br>  |
| OPERATING COST                               | 3,776,330    | 3,449,420   | 54      | 1     | 1     | 56     | ł   | 52   | 1     |       | 53     |
|  |              |             | ======= | ***** | ===== | ====== | === | ==== | ===== | ===== | ====== |
| ADD DEBT SERVICE                             | 0            | 0           | <br>    |       |       |        |     |      |       |       |        |
| DIRECT ORGANIZATION COST                     | 3,776,330    | 3,449,420   | [       |       |       |        |     |      |       |       |        |
| ADD INTRAGOVERNMENTAL<br>CHARGES FROM OTHERS | 694,060      | 1,664,820   | 1<br>1  |       |       |        |     |      |       |       |        |
|  |              |             | 1       |       |       |        |     |      |       |       |        |
| TOTAL DEPARTMENT COST                        | 4,470,390    | 5,114,240   | 1       |       |       |        |     |      |       |       |        |
| LESS INTRAGOVERNMENTAL CHARGES TO OTHERS     | 3,719,030    | 4,418,210   | 1       |       |       |        |     |      |       |       |        |
|  |              |             | Į.      |       |       |        |     |      |       |       |        |
| FUNCTION COST                                | 751,360      | 696,030     | ļ       |       |       |        |     |      |       |       |        |
| LESS PROGRAM REVENUES                        | 399,500      | 413,700     | 1<br>1  |       |       |        |     |      |       |       |        |
| NET PROGRAM COST                             | 351,860      | 282,330     | I<br>   |       |       |        |     |      |       |       |        |

#### 1995 RESOURCES BY CATEGORY OF EXPENSE

|                                  | PERSONAL  |          | OTHER   | CAPITAL | TOTAL DIRECT |
|----------------------------------|-----------|----------|---|---------|--------------|
| DIVISION                         | SERVICES  | SUPPLIES | SERVICES                                      | OUTLAY  | COST         |
| CIVIL                            | 1,332,790 | 13,800   | 109,770                                       | 45,490  | 1,501,850    |
| PROSECUTION                      | 1,516,370 | 10,120   | 64,680  | 22,210  | 1,613,380    |
| HEARING OFFICER                  | 123,170   | 3,300    | 7,830   | 1,450   | 135,750      |
| LAW ADMIN                        | 229,300   | 600      | 19,120  | 2,480   | 251,500      |
|                                  |           |          |   |         |              |
| DEPT. TOTAL WITHOUT DEBT SERVICE | 3,201,630 | 27,820   | 201,400                                       | 71,630  | 3,502,480    |
| LESS VACANCY FACTOR              | 53,060    |          |   |         | 53,060       |
| ADD DEBT SERVICE                 |           |          |   |         |              |
|                                  |           |          | the free days who had been lake they will die |         |              |
| TOTAL DIRECT ORGANIZATION COST   | 3,148,570 | 27,820   | 201,400                                       | 71,630  | 3,449,420    |

## **RECONCILIATION FROM 1994 REVISED BUDGET TO 1995 PROPOSED BUDGET**

## **DEPARTMENT: MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY**

|   | DIRECT COSTS            | PC<br>FT | SITION<br>PT | <u>18</u><br>T |
|---|-------------------------|----------|--------------|----------------|
| 1994 REVISED BUDGET:  | \$ 3,776,330            | 54       | 1            | 1              |
| 1994 ONE-TIME REQUIREMENTS: - Furniture and Fixtures - Computer Automation  | (93,010)<br>(12,500)    |          |              |                |
| 1994 BUDGET REDUCTIONS (1995 IMPACT):   | (100,000)               | (1)      |              |                |
| AMOUNT REQUIRED TO CONTINUE EXISTING PROGRAMS IN 1995: - Salaries and Benefits Adjustment - Non-Personal Services Inflation Adjustmen | 8,340<br>t 9,070        |          |              |                |
| 1994 CONTINUATION LEVEL:  | \$ 3,588,230            | 53       | 1            | I              |
| FUNDED NEW/EXPANDED SERVICE LEVELS:  - Annual Contract Update Service for the Anchorage Municipal Code (Program Revenue Funded)       | 9,500                   |          |              |                |
| UNFUNDED CURRENT SERVICE LEVELS: - Eliminate One Civil Law Attorney   | (80,900)                | (1)      |              |                |
| MISCELLANEOUS INCREASES (DECREASES): - Benefit Savings from Director - Miscellaneous Supply, Professional Service and Court Costs     | (25,050)<br>es (42,360) |          |              | (1)            |
| 1995 BUDGET REQUEST:  | \$ 3,449,420            | 52FT     | 1PT          | <u> </u>       |

DEPARTMENT: MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY

DIVISION:

PROGRAM: Administration

#### PURPOSE:

Oversee all departmental activities; provide policy guidance; and perform centralized financial management, procurement, client billing, and clerical support functions. Provide direct case management assistance, consultation and clerical support pursuant to execution of all civil law functions.

#### 1994 PERFORMANCES:

- Performed mandated executive support functions and served as principal legal advisor to the Mayor and Municipal Assembly.

- Provided policy guidance and promoted staff development activities directed toward maximizing the utilization of in-house resources.

- Performed centralized financial management, procurement, client billing, and other department-wide administrative support functions.

- Provided direct clerical support to Civil Law Office.

- Monitored all legal service contracts and assisted client agencies in the preparation and processing of associated Assembly actions and contract documents.
- Executed the procurement actions necessary to secure a comprehensive, fully-integrated Civil Law case management software application.
- Completed contract oversight responsibilities which culminated with the publication of a recodified/reformatted edition of the Anchorage Municipal Code in the fall of 1994.

#### 1995 PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:

- Perform mandated executive support functions and served as principal legal advisor to the Mayor and Municipal Assembly.
- Provide policy guidance and promoted staff development activities directed toward maximizing the utilization of in-house resources.
- Perform centralized financial management, procurement, client billing, and other department-wide administrative support functions.

- Provide direct clerical support to the Civil Law Office.

- Administer ongoing code update services contract in direct consultation with the Municipal Clerk's Office.
- Monitor all legal service contracts and assisted client agencies in the preparation and processing of associated Assembly actions and contract documents.

DEPARTMENT: MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY DIVISION:

PROGRAM: Administration

**RESOURCES:** 

|  | 1993<br>FT | REVIS<br>PT       |          | 1994<br>FT | REVI<br>PT | SED                      | 1995<br>FT | BUE<br>PT | GET                      |
|--|------------|-------------------|----------|------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| PERSONNEL:   | 3          | 0                 | 0        | 3          | 0          | ó                        | 3          | 0         | 0                        |
| PERSONAL SERVICES SUPPLIES OTHER SERVICES CAPITAL OUTLAY             | \$         | 248,1<br>4<br>9,1 | 00       | \$         | 8,         | 790<br>120<br>850<br>870 | \$         |           | 290<br>600<br>120<br>480 |
| TOTAL DIRECT COST:   | \$         | 257,6             | 60       | \$         | 255,       | 630                      | \$         | 248,      | 490                      |
| PROGRAM REVENUES:  | \$         |                   | 0        | \$         |            | 0                        | \$         | 14,       | 200                      |
| WORK MEASURES: - Contract counsel files maintained - Client agencies |            |                   | 30<br>79 |            |            | 30<br>79                 |            |           | 25<br>79                 |
| <pre>billed Attorney billings processed</pre>                        |            | 13,2              | 00       |            | 14,        | 000                      |            | 14,       | 000                      |
| - Assembly meetings/work sessions attended                           |            | i                 | 60       |            |            | 60                       |            |           | 75                       |
| <ul><li>Procurement actions processed</li></ul>                      |            | 1,2               | 50       |            | 1,         | 450                      |            | 1,        | 450                      |

<sup>16</sup> SERVICE LEVELS ARE FUNDED FOR THE DEPARTMENT. THIS PROGRAM HAS LEVELS: 1, 11

DEPARTMENT: MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY DIVISION:

PROGRAM: Prosecution

#### PURPOSE:

Prosecute misdemeanor criminal complaints consistent with applicable Municipal ordinances. Provide the personnel and resources necessary to properly evaluate cases; file charges; conduct criminal trials; enforce probation stipulations; prepare motions and appeals; and assist victims.

#### 1994 PERFORMANCES:

- Provided for the prosecution of all misdemeanor offenses committed in the Anchorage Police Service Area, including the voter-approved incorporation of Southeast Midtown.

- Completed initial program modifications, testing, and installation of the prosecution case management application acquired in CY 1993.

- Relocated Municipal Prosecutor's Office to 420 L. Street, Suite 100.

 Consolidated within a designated working unit experienced trial attorneys and associated support staff to handle the prosecution of matters involving all areas of family violence.

- Redirected available staff resources, as necessary, in response to

handle crackdown on prostitution.

 Administered a Pretrial Diversion Program to facilitate prosecution of minor property crimes (primarily shoplifting) by providing a costeffective alternative to incarceration for selected offenders.

- Provided for the aggressive prosecution of all DWI cases, including enforcement of the new DWI Vehicle Impound/Forfeiture ordinance.

#### 1995 PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:

 Provide for the prosecution of all misdemeanor offenses committed within the Anchorage Police Service Area.

- Complete procedural modifications and needed program modifications to attain full utilization of the Prosecution Case Management mainframe software application.

- Update and amend the Anchorage Criminal Code to achieve better uniformity with corresponding State and Federal statutes.

- Continue the aggressive prosecution of all DWI offenders.

- Administer a Pretrial Diversion Program to facilitate prosecution of minor property crimes (primarily shoplifting) by providing a cost-effective alternative to incarceration for selected offenders.

DEPARTMENT: MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY DIVISION:

PROGRAM: Prosecution RESOURCES:

| PERSONNEL:   | 1993 REVISED<br>FT PT T<br>20 0 0        | 1994 REVISED<br>FT PT T<br>27 0 0           | 1995 BUDGET<br>FT PT T<br>26 0 0           |
|--|--|---|--|
| PERSONAL SERVICES SUPPLIES OTHER SERVICES CAPITAL OUTLAY   | \$ 1,185,240<br>9,000<br>52,790<br>6,980 | \$ 1,599,520<br>15,050<br>123,400<br>51,050 | \$ 1,491,700<br>10,120<br>64,680<br>22,210 |
| TOTAL DIRECT COST:   | \$ 1,254,010                             | \$ 1,789,020                                | \$ 1,588,710                               |
| PROGRAM REVENUES:  | \$ 54,500                                | \$ 54,500                                   | \$ 54,500                                  |
| WORK MEASURES:  - Counts screened  - Counts filed  - Trial appearances  - Motions filed, incl.  appeals & petitions to  revoke probation  - Pretrial Diversion | 9,167<br>7,478<br>238<br>2,527           | 9,200<br>7,540<br>175<br>2,650              | 9,210<br>7,550<br>180<br>2,870             |
| Program: number of participants - Pretrial Diversion Prog.: hrs. of public   | 7,420                                    | 8,000                                       | 8,700                                      |
| <pre>work service performed - Followup investigations - Enhanced witness/ evidence case files prepared</pre>   | 0  | 250<br>250                                  | 600<br>900                                 |

16 SERVICE LEVELS ARE FUNDED FOR THE DEPARTMENT. THIS PROGRAM HAS LEVELS: 3, 4, 6, 12

DEPARTMENT: MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY

DIVISION:

PROGRAM: Civil Law

#### PURPOSE:

Provide for the delivery of legal services to all municipal agencies, enterprise activities, and the Municipal Assembly; and manage the litigation of all civil actions to which the Municipality of Anchorage is party as either a defendant or plaintiff.

#### 1994 PERFORMANCES:

- Retained designated in-house litigation specialists in the areas of risk management, labor, and public safety.

- Performed a wide variety of non-litigation civil law advisory and consultation functions in direct support of all general government operations and enterprise activities.

- Committed substantial resources to support the agressive enforcement of the DWI Vehicle Impound/Forfeiture Ordinance.

- Completed an in-depth review and revision of the DWI Vehicle Impound/ Forfeiture Ordinance to correct defects and promote effective and efficient adjudication and enforcement efforts.

- Performed non-bankruptcy and bankruptcy judicial collection services for the Anchorage Telephone Utility under contract through December 31, 1994.

- Completed the design, installation, and testing of a comprehensive, fully-integrated Civil Law case management software application.

#### 1995 PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:

- Retain in-house litigation specialists in the areas of risk management, labor, and public safety civil liability.
- Continue aggressive adjudication efforts with regard to enforcement of the DWI Vehicle Impound/Forfeiture Ordinance.
- Modify existing assignment and case management procedures to accommodate full implementation of the newly installed, automated civil law case management system.
- Assist the Department of Employee Relations, as directed, in the conduct of ongoing labor contract negotiations.
- Perform a wide variety of non-litigation civil law advisory and consultation functions in direct support of all general government operations and enterprise activities.
- Perform non-bankruptcy and bankruptcy judicial collection services for the Anchorage Telephone Utility under contract through December 31, 1995.

DEPARTMENT: MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY DIVISION:

PROGRAM: Civil Law

RESOURCES:

| PERSONNEL:  | 1993 REVISED<br>FT PT T<br>20 0 0          | 1994 REVISED<br>FT PT T<br>21 0 1           | 1995 BUDGET<br>FT PT T<br>21 1 0            |
|---|--|---|---|
| PERSONNEL.  | 20 0 0                                     | 21 0 1                                      | 21 1 0                                      |
| PERSONAL SERVICES SUPPLIES OTHER SERVICES CAPITAL OUTLAY  | \$ 1,268,050<br>8,900<br>333,020<br>49,090 | \$ 1,264,840<br>14,400<br>123,890<br>71,690 | \$ 1,308,070<br>13,800<br>109,770<br>45,490 |
| TOTAL DIRECT COST:  | \$ 1,659,060                               | \$ 1,474,820                                | \$ 1,477,130                                |
| PROGRAM REVENUES:   | \$ 315,000                                 | \$ 345,000                                  | \$ 345,000                                  |
| WORK MEASURES: - Hours of legal service billed (Civil Law) - Active civil litigation & matters files (avg./ | 13,620<br>1,800                            | 15,140<br>1,900                             | 13,620<br>1,855                             |
| <ul><li>mo.)</li><li>Contract and Assembly documents processed</li></ul>                                    | 676  | 675   | 695   |
| - Legal opinions issued<br>(Civil Law)  | 120  | 136   | 117   |
| - Docketed attorney assignments   | 596  | 690   | 770   |
| - Total Bankruptcy & Non-<br>Bankruptcy Collections<br>(\$)   | 2,097,100                                  | 1,700,000                                   | 1,725,000                                   |
| <ul> <li>Administrative costs/<br/>attorney fees recovered</li> </ul>                                       | 0  | 62,700                                      | 65,000                                      |
| <pre>(\$) - DWI vehicle impound/ forfeiture cases</pre>   | 0  | 1,500                                       | 1,700                                       |
| <pre>reviewed - DWI vehicle impound/ forfeiture cases filed</pre>   | 0  | 1,200                                       | 1,360                                       |
|   |  |   |   |

16 SERVICE LEVELS ARE FUNDED FOR THE DEPARTMENT. THIS PROGRAM HAS LEVELS: 2, 5, 7, 8, 9

DEPARTMENT: MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY DIVISION:

PROGRAM: Administrative Hearing Functions

#### PURPOSE:

Provide for the initial adjudication of municipal code violations utilizing an administrative hearing officer in lieu of securing redress through formal State court proceedings.

#### 1994 PERFORMANCES:

- Implemented in-house Administrative Hearing Officer Program as provided for under AMC Title 14, Administrative Enforcement.
- Assisted in the preparation of procedural guidelines and conduct of training sessions to assist code enforcement personnel relative to execution of their responsibilities under AMC Title 14.
- Principle areas of activity under Title 14: administrative enforcement of zoning and vehicle I/M code provisions.
- Served as Administrative Hearing Officer for cases brought under the DWI Vehicle Impound/Forfeiture ordinance.
- Relocated Administrative Hearing Office to leased space in close proximity to the New City Hall.

#### 1995 PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:

- Continue to provide in-house administrative hearing officer for initial adjudication of citations issued under the DWI Vehicle Impound/ Forfeiture ordinance.

#### **RESOURCES:**

|   | 199   |    |                     | 4 REVISE                        |        |                                    |
|---|-------|----|---------------------|---------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|
|   | FT    | PT | T FT                | PT                              | T FT   | PT T                               |
| PERSONNEL:  | 0     | 0  | 0 3                 | 1                               | 0 2    | 0 0                                |
| PERSONAL S<br>SUPPLIES<br>OTHER SERV<br>CAPITAL OU        | ICES  |    | 0 \$<br>0<br>0<br>0 | 195,78<br>9,80<br>5,67<br>45,61 | 0<br>0 | 122,510<br>3,300<br>7,830<br>1,450 |
| TOTAL DIRECT COS  | T: \$ |    | 0 \$                | 256,86                          | 0 \$   | 135,090                            |
| WORK MEASURES:  |       |    |                     |                                 |        |                                    |
| <ul> <li>Zoning citations received</li> </ul>             | ;     |    | 0                   | 1                               | 5      | 50                                 |
| <ul> <li>Vehicle inspecti<br/>citations receiv</li> </ul> |       |    | 0                   | 25                              | 0      | 500                                |
| - Hearings conduct  |       |    | 0                   | 35                              | 0      | 600                                |
| - DWI forfeiture citations receiv                         |       |    | 0                   | 1,20                            |        | 1,200                              |
| - Administrative of attorney fees re (\$)                 | osts/ |    | 0                   | 47,30                           | 0      | 125,000                            |

16 SERVICE LEVELS ARE FUNDED FOR THE DEPARTMENT. THIS PROGRAM HAS LEVELS: 10, 13