

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 284

Approved June 24, 2021

RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council  
hereby Authorize Approval of Payment by the Board of Contract and Supply, in  
accordance with Section 21-26(b) of the Code of Ordinances.

Pannone, Lopes, Devereaux, and O'Gara, LLC      \$150,000.00 for legal services  
(Water Supply Board)

IN CITY COUNCIL  
JUN 17 2021  
READ AND PASSED

  
JOHN J. IGLIONE, PRESIDENT  
  
CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

  
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Mayor  
Date: 6/24/21

Office of the Internal Auditor  
City of Providence



May 5, 2021

Ms. Tina Mastroianni  
City Clerk's Office  
City of Providence  
25 Dorrance Street  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Tina:

I am writing to request that the following requested contract awards be submitted to the City Council and the Finance Committee for approval:

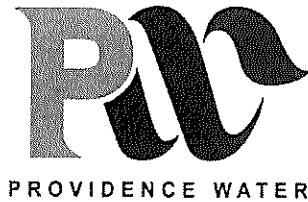
- **Human Resources:**
  - Award to **Mercer Health & Benefits, LLC** for a three-year contract in the amount of **\$570,000.00** in accordance with the Code of Ordinance, Section 21-26 (a);
- **Water Supply Board:**
  - Approval of payment to **Pannone, Lopes, Devereaux, and O'Gara, LLC** in the amount of **\$150,000.00** for legal services at the rate \$225.00 per hour in accordance with the Code of Ordinance, Section 21-26 (b).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gina M. Costa".

Gina M. Costa  
Internal Auditor

Cc: Brenda Almonte, Director of Public Property  
Alejandro Tirado, Associate Director of Purchasing  
Emmanuel Echevarria, Director of Human Resources  
Ricky Caruolo, General Manager  
James J. Lombardi, III, Treasurer/Senior Advisor to City Council



April 27, 2021

The Honorable Mayor Jorge O. Elorza  
Chairman, Board of Contract and Supply  
City Hall  
25 Dorrance Street  
Providence, RI 02903

**RE: Requesting Approval of Payment to Pannone, Lopes, Devereaux and O’Gara, LLC for  
Legal Services**

ID Number: 31663

Minority Participation: 0 % MBE, 0 %WBE

Account Code: Various PW Accounts

Dear Mayor Elorza,

The department of Providence Water (PW) respectfully requests approval of payments to Pannone, Lopes, Devereaux and O’Gara, LLC in the amount of \$150,000.00 for legal services at the rate of \$225.00 per hour through fiscal year 2022.

William E. O’Gara, Esq., a principal partner in the firm of Pannone, Lopes, Devereaux and O’Gara, LLC, is the Legal Advisor for the Providence Water Supply Board and performs basic legal services for the Board. This request is for other legal services as needed, which are above and beyond, and are not performed as part of basic services.

Legal services include:

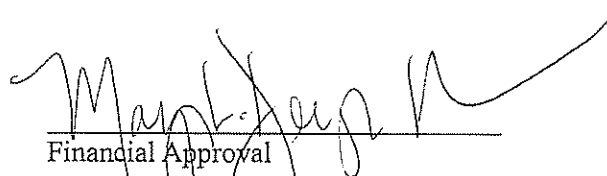
Claims by and against PWSB, Lawsuits against PWSB and Lawsuits triggered by bankruptcies  
Land acquisition/disposal  
Capital Improvement Projects  
Contracts

Funds in the amount of \$150,000.00 are available in various PW accounts through FY2022.

Pannone, Lopes, Devereaux and O’Gara, LLC  
1301 Atwood Avenue, Suite 215 N  
Johnston, RI 02919

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Ricky Caruolo  
General Manager

  
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Financial Approval