

MEMORANDUM

TO: Conrad Mallett, Corporation Counsel

THROUGH: Mary Sheffield, Council President

FROM: Angela Whitfield Calloway, Council Member

DATE: September 25, 2024

RE: Request for a report concerning reverse convictions

Please provide a report on the various reverse conviction cases. Please list the cases, the case numbers, the factual allegations, the number of years of incarceration, and the name of the defense attorney and the amount allocated for outside counsel. Also include any settlement amount if applicable.

Please determine whether a retired police officer, found responsible for a constitutional violation resulting in a wrongful incarceration, can have his or her pension stopped or reduced by the City of Detroit to offset a settlement or judgment.

Please determine whether City Council can separate the police officer's request for legal representation from the request for indemnification so the individual police officer can still have adequate legal defense, but the taxpayers can be protected from payment of judgments for unconstitutional acts. Please explain how this can be achieved consistent with existing laws and union agreements.

CC: Malik Washington, Liaison

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Please contact our office if you have any questions or concerns – Peter Rhoades at peter.rhoades@detroitmi.gov