
Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel

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Table AH0-1

Description	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Approved	FY 2024 Approved	% Change from FY 2023
OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,566,650	\$1,506,115	\$1,754,855	\$1,807,365	3.0
FTEs	9.8	9.2	10.0	10.0	0.0
CAPITAL BUDGET	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
FTEs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A

The mission of the Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel (MOLC) is to provide legal counsel to the Mayor and the Offices of the Deputy Mayors and District of Columbia executive agencies, with particular attention to coordination of legal support with the agency General Counsel and their staffs.

Summary of Services

MOLC acts as the primary legal counsel to the Mayor, all Deputy Mayors, and District government agencies. Under the governing legislation, the functions of MOLC are:

- Coordinating the hiring, compensation, training, and resolution of significant personnel-related issues for subordinate agency counsel in conjunction with agency directors;
- Providing legal and policy advice to the Mayor and the executive branch;
- Resolving interagency legal issues for the Mayor;
- Overseeing the representation of agencies in investigative matters before the executive branch of the federal government, Congress, or the Council of the District of Columbia; and
- Supervising outside counsel in matters where the Office of the Attorney General is recused from a matter or otherwise not available.

In addition, MOLC generally advises the Mayor and the Deputy Mayors in connection with the implementation of major policy initiatives and responsibilities.

The agency's FY 2024 approved budget is presented in the following tables:

FY 2024 Approved Gross Funds Operating Budget and FTEs, by Revenue Type

Table AH0-2 contains the approved FY 2024 budget by revenue type compared to the FY 2023 approved budget. It also provides FY 2021 and FY 2022 actual data.

Table AH0-2

(dollars in thousands)

Appropriated Fund	Dollars in Thousands						Full-Time Equivalents					
	Actual FY 2021	Actual FY 2022	Approved FY 2023	Approved FY 2024	Change from FY 2023	% Change*	Actual FY 2021	Actual FY 2022	Approved FY 2023	Approved FY 2024	Change from FY 2023	% Change
GENERAL FUND												
Local Funds	1,567	1,506	1,755	1,807	53	3.0	9.8	9.2	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	1,567	1,506	1,755	1,807	53	3.0	9.8	9.2	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0
GROSS FUNDS	1,567	1,506	1,755	1,807	53	3.0	9.8	9.2	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0

*Percent change is based on whole dollars.

Note: If applicable, for a breakdown of each Grant (Federal and Private) and Special Purpose Revenue type, please refer to **Schedule 80 Agency Summary by Revenue Source** in the **FY 2024 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website.

FY 2024 Approved Operating Budget, by Comptroller Source Group

Table AH0-3 contains the approved FY 2024 budget at the Comptroller Source Group (object class) level compared to the FY 2023 approved budget. It also provides FY 2021 and FY 2022 actual expenditures.

Table AH0-3

(dollars in thousands)

Comptroller Source Group	Actual FY 2021	Actual FY 2022	Approved FY 2023	Approved FY 2024	Change from FY 2023	Percentage Change*
11 - Regular Pay - Continuing Full Time	1,209	1,185	1,331	1,436	105	7.9
12 - Regular Pay - Other	54	0	71	0	-71	-100.0
13 - Additional Gross Pay	14	40	0	0	0	N/A
14 - Fringe Benefits - Current Personnel	245	238	252	270	18	7.2
SUBTOTAL PERSONAL SERVICES (PS)	1,523	1,463	1,653	1,706	52	3.2
20 - Supplies and Materials	16	5	52	52	0	0.0
31 - Telecommunications	6	4	0	0	0	N/A
40 - Other Services and Charges	22	32	47	47	0	0.3
70 - Equipment and Equipment Rental	0	2	2	2	0	0.0
SUBTOTAL NONPERSONAL SERVICES (NPS)	44	43	101	102	0	0.2
GROSS FUNDS	1,567	1,506	1,755	1,807	53	3.0

*Percent change is based on whole dollars.

FY 2024 Approved Operating Budget and FTEs, by Division/Program and Activity

Table AH0-4 contains the approved FY 2024 budget by division/program and activity compared to the FY 2023 approved budget. It also provides FY 2021 and FY 2022 actual data. For a more comprehensive explanation of divisions/programs and activities, please see the Division/Program Description section, which follows the table.

Table AH0-4

(dollars in thousands)

Division/Program and Activity	Dollars in Thousands					Full-Time Equivalents				
	Actual FY 2021	Actual FY 2022	Approved FY 2023	Approved FY 2024	Change from FY 2023	Actual FY 2021	Actual FY 2022	Approved FY 2023	Approved FY 2024	Change from FY 2023
(1000) AGENCY MANAGEMENT										
(1090) Performance Management	-9	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUBTOTAL (1000) AGENCY MANAGEMENT	-9	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
(2000) LEGAL SERVICES										
(2001) Legal Services	1,575	1,506	1,755	1,807	53	9.8	9.2	10.0	10.0	0.0
SUBTOTAL (2000) LEGAL SERVICES	1,575	1,506	1,755	1,807	53	9.8	9.2	10.0	10.0	0.0
TOTAL APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET	1,567	1,506	1,755	1,807	53	9.8	9.2	10.0	10.0	0.0

(Change is calculated by whole numbers and numbers may not add up due to rounding)

Note: For more detailed information regarding the proposed funding for the activities within this agency's programs, please see **Schedule 30-PBB Program Summary by Activity** in the **FY 2024 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website. "No Activity Assigned" indicates budget or actuals that are recorded at the division/program level.

Division Description

The Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel operates through the following division:

Legal Services – is headed by a Director who is appointed by the Mayor and serves at the Mayor's pleasure. The Director is a seasoned attorney. The Deputy Director serves as the Director's support and stand-in. The team, made up of Chief of Staff, Staff Attorney, and Special Assistant, serves as the Mayor's Legal Counsel and advises the Mayor on issues related to the law. There are Associate Directors who oversee the five main clusters and are the principal points of contact for the Health and Human Services, Education, Government Operations, Public Safety and Justice, and Planning and Economic Development clusters. The agency management team, along with these associate directors, also advises on the full range of issues that may arise before the Executive Office of the Mayor and citywide agencies. These issues may include, but are not limited to, drafting bills for introduction and preparation of amendments for consideration, legislation monitoring, training in the areas of administrative and regulatory law and procedure, legal sufficiency certification services, labor, Freedom of Information Act, real-estate, rulemaking, and other significant financial transactions.

Division Structure Change

The Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel has no division structure changes in the FY 2024 approved budget.

FY 2023 Approved Budget to FY 2024 Approved Budget, by Revenue Type

Table AH0-5 itemizes the changes by revenue type between the FY 2023 approved budget and the FY 2024 approved budget. For a more comprehensive explanation of changes, please see the FY 2024 Approved Budget Changes section, which follows the table.

Table AH0-5

(dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	DIVISION/PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2023 Approved Budget and FTE		1,755	10.0
No Change		0	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2024 Recurring Budget		1,755	10.0
Increase: To support operational requirements	Legal Services	53	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2024 Mayor's Proposed Budget		1,807	10.0
No Change		0	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2024 District's Approved Budget		1,807	10.0
GROSS FOR AH0 - MAYOR'S OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL		1,807	10.0

(Change is calculated by whole numbers and numbers may not add up due to rounding)

Note: For more detailed information regarding the proposed funding for interagency projects funded within this agency, please see Appendix J, FY 2024 Interagency Budgets, in the Executive Summary budget volume.

FY 2024 Approved Operating Budget Changes

Table AH0-6 contains the approved FY 2024 budget by fund compared to the FY 2023 approved budget.

Table AH0-6

Appropriated Fund	FY 2023 Approved	FY 2024 Approved	% Change from FY 2023
Local Funds	\$1,754,855	\$1,807,365	3.0
GROSS FUNDS	\$1,754,855	\$1,807,365	3.0

Mayor's Proposed Budget

Increase: The proposed budget for the Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel reflects as an increase of \$52,510 that supports agency operations. These available resources support the reallocation of 1.0 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) from temporary to permanent, salary and Fringe Benefits costs for current personnel, and professional service fees.

District's Approved Budget

No Change: The Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel's budget reflects no change from the Mayor's proposed budget to the District's approved budget.