Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel

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Table AH0-1

					% Change
	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	from
Description	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	FY 2025
OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,407,531	\$1,574,552	\$1,835,079	\$1,849,788	0.8
FTEs	8.8	10.0	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.

FY 2026 Approved Gross Funds Operating Budget and FTEs, by Revenue Type

Table AH0-2 contains the approved FY 2026 budget and approved Full-Time Equivalents by revenue type compared to the FY 2025 approved budget. It also provides FY 2023 and FY 2024 actual data.

Table AH0-2 (dollars in thousands)

	Dollars in Thousands					Fu	ull-Time E	quivalen	ts			
					Change			_			Change	
	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from	%	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from	%
Appropriated Fund	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2025	Change*	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2025	Change
GENERAL FUND												
Local Funds	1,408	1,575	1,835	1,850	15	0.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL FOR												
GENERAL FUND	1,408	1,575	1,835	1,850	15	0.8	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0
GROSS FUNDS	1,408	1,575	1,835	1,850	15	0.8	8.8	10.0	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 2026 Operating Appendices located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website.

FY 2026 Approved Operating Budget, by Account Group

Table AH0-3 contains the approved FY 2026 budget at the Account Group level compared to the FY 2025 approved budget. It also provides FY 2023 and FY 2024 actual expenditures.

Table AH0-3 (dollars in thousands)

					Change	
	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from	Percentage
Account Group	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2025	Change*
701100C - Continuing Full Time	1,157	1,286	1,429	1,443	14	1.0
701300C - Additional Gross Pay	0	3	0	0	0	N/A
701400C - Fringe Benefits - Current Personnel	230	239	287	287	0	0.1
SUBTOTAL PERSONNEL SERVICES (PS)	1,386	1,528	1,716	1,730	14	0.8
711100C - Supplies and Materials	13	3	52	52	0	0.0
713100C - Other Services and Charges	8	42	58	58	0	0.0
713200C - Contractual Services - Other	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
715100C - Other Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
717100C - Purchases Equipment and Machinery	0	1	9	9	0	0.0
SUBTOTAL NONPERSONNEL SERVICES (NPS)	21	46	119	120	0	0.2
GROSS FUNDS	1,408	1,575	1,835	1,850	15	0.8

^{*}Percent change is based on whole dollars.

FY 2026 Approved Operating Budget and FTEs, by Division/Program and Activity

Table AH0-4 contains the approved FY 2026 budget by division/program and activity compared to the FY 2025 approved budget. It also provides FY 2023 and FY 2024 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)

	Dollars in Thousands					Full-Time Equivalents				
					Change					Change
	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from
Division/Program and Activity	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2025	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2025
(AMP000) AGENCY										
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM										
(AMP014) Legal Services	1,408	1,575	1,835	1,850	15	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.0
SUBTOTAL (AMP000) AGENCY										
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM	1,408	1,575	1,835	1,850	15	8.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	0.0
TOTAL APPROVED										
OPERATING BUDGET	1,408	1,575	1,835	1,850	15	8.8	10.0	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 approved funding for the activities within this agency's programs, please see Schedule 30-PBB Program Summary by Activity. For detailed information on this agency's Cost Center structure as reflected in the District's Chart of Accounts, please see Schedule 30-CC FY 2026 Approved Operating Budget and FTEs, by Division/Office. The schedules can be found in the FY 2026 Operating Appendices located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website. Additional information on this agency's interagency agreements can be found in Appendix H in the Executive Summary, Volume 1.

Division Description

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

Agency Management – provides for administrative support and the required tools to achieve operational and programmatic results. This program is standard for all agencies using performance-based budgeting.

Division Structure Change

The Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel has no division structure changes in the FY 2026 approved budget.

FY 2025 Approved Budget to FY 2026 Approved Budget, by Revenue Type

Table AH0-5 itemizes the changes by revenue type between the FY 2025 approved budget and the FY 2026 approved budget. For a more comprehensive explanation of changes, please see the FY 2026 Approved Budget Changes section, which follows the table.

Table AH0-5

(dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	DIVISION/PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2025 Approved Budget and FTE		1,835	10.0
No Change		0	0.0

Table AH0-5

(dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	DIVISION/PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2026 Recurring Budget		1,835	10.0
Increase: To align personnel services and Fringe Benefits with projected costs	Agency Management Program	14	0.0
Decrease: To realize savings in nonpersonnel services	Agency Management Program	-32	0.0
Enhance: To support professional service fees and contracts (one-time)	Agency Management Program	23	0.0
Enhance: To support purchase of equipment (one-time)	Agency Management Program	9	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2026 Mayor's Proposed Budget		1,850	10.0
No Change		0	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2026 District's Approved Budget		1,850	10.0

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Note: For more detailed information regarding the approved funding for interagency projects funded within this agency, please see Appendix H, FY 2026 Interagency Budgets, of the Executive Summary, Volume 1 located on the OCFO's website.

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FY 2026 Approved Operating Budget Changes

Table AH0-6 contains the approved FY 2026 budget by fund compared to the FY 2025 approved budget.

Table AH0-6

			% Change
	FY 2025	FY 2026	from
Appropriated Fund	Approved	Approved	FY 2025
Local Funds	\$1,835,079	\$1,849,788	0.8
GROSS FUNDS	\$1,835,079	\$1,849,788	0.8

Mayor's Proposed Budget

Increase: The proposed budget for the Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel (MOLC) reflects as an increase of \$14,223 in the Agency Management program to align personnel services and Fringe Benefits with projected costs.

Decrease: MOLC's proposed Local funds budget includes a decrease of \$31,665 in the Agency Management program to realize savings in nonpersonnel services, primarily in contracts.

Enhance: MOLC's proposed Local funds budget includes a one-time increase of \$22,942 in the Agency Management program to support professional service fees and contracts. Additionally, the proposed budget includes a one-time increase of \$9,010 in the Agency Management program to support the purchase of equipment.

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.