

CITY OF MADISON, WISCONSIN

REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

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TO THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL:

RE: Eric J Hatchell, Foley & Lardner LLP for Bird Dog Hospitality IV, LLC (Tax Parcel 0810-272-0403-1) - excessive assessment- \$63,423.06.

Claimant Bird Dog Hospitality IV, LLC., claims a refund for excessive real property tax pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 74.37 for their 2025 taxes for their property located at 4801 Annamark Drive. The claimant alleges that the assessed value should be no higher than \$5,100,000 for 2025. The Claimant seeks a refund of \$63,423.06 plus interest.

The City Assessor valued the property at \$8,486,300 for tax year 2025. The Claimant challenged the 2025 assessment before both the Boards of Assessors and Review, and the Board of Assessors reduced it to \$8,290,000, which the Board of Review sustained. The 2025 real property taxes were \$155,265.97.

I have consulted with the Office of the Assessor, and we are of the opinion that the Board of Review determined the appropriate assessed value for 2025.

For the foregoing reasons, I recommend denial of the subject claim.

NOTE: This claim was received on January 23, 2026, and pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 74.37(3)(a) if no action is taken on this claim by the Common Council within ninety (90) days of filing the claim, it is considered disallowed.

Respectfully submitted,

***Electronically Signed By:
Jason Donker***

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