

**RE: Contract**

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**To:** Aaron Stephens <astephens@cityofeastlansing.com>  
**Date:** Tuesday - April 16, 2019 3:34 PM  
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Aaron,

Thanks for the update.

Tom

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**From:** Aaron Stephens [mailto:astephens@cityofeastlansing.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 16, 2019 2:53 PM  
**To:** Tom Yeadon  
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Tom,

After much consideration and speaking with the other council members, we cannot agree to the counter offer that you have proposed. While you have made a very valid argument regarding market rates for attorneys in our region, we can't make such a big jump in rates/annual costs without doing our due diligence on other offers.

Therefore, we've decided the best way forward is to send out a RFP for our city attorney contract services. We hope to have the RFP out in the next week or two.

I'm sorry we couldn't get agreement on the rates you initially proposed, but we sincerely hope to see your firm's proposal when we are considering bids in the next few months.

Best,

Aaron Stephens