

1 STATE OF NEVADA
2 LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE-MANAGEMENT
3 RELATIONS BOARD
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5 RENO POLICE SUPERVISORY AND
6 EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION,

7 Complainant,

8 vs.

9 CITY OF RENO,

10 Respondent.

) ITEM NO. 694A

) CASE NO. A1-045923

) **ORDER**

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12 For Complainant: Michael E. Langton, Esq.

13 For Respondent: Donald Christensen, Esq.

14 On the 14th day of April, 2011, this matter came on before the State of Nevada, Local
15 Government Employee-Management Relations Board ("Board"), for consideration and decision
16 pursuant to the provisions of NRS and NAC chapters 288, NRS chapter 233B, and was properly
17 noticed pursuant to Nevada's open meeting laws.

18 The Board notes that the petition for judicial review filed regarding this matter has been
19 resolved. The petition having been resolved, we now address the application for fees and costs
20 filed by Complainant on April 21, 2009, pursuant to our prior order of April 3, 2009, Item No.
21 694, which awarded fees and costs to Complainant.

22 Having reviewed the application, the errata, the opposition filed by Respondent City of
23 Reno, as well as the reply in support of the application, the Board awards Complainant a total of
24 \$18,154.16 pursuant to the provisions of NRS 288.110(6). In doing so, the Board accepts
25 Complainant's claim for \$2,462.91 in costs as reasonable. These claimed costs were not
26 contested by Respondent.

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1 The Board also accepts Complainant's claim for attorney fees as being reasonable based
2 upon the claimed hourly rate, the complex nature of the case, the work actually performed, as
3 well as the successful result obtained for Complainant.

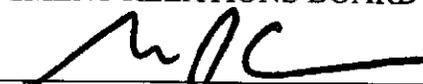
4 Out of the attorney's fees claimed by Complainant, Respondent objected to \$4,912.50
5 which was indicated as being billed by a "Legal Defense Fund." However, in the reply,
6 Complainant has provided an explanation of the billing entries for "Legal Defense Fund," and
7 the Board accepts Complainant's explanation as reasonable.

8 Respondent also objected to \$780.00 in costs claimed by a Mr. Dreher for attendance at
9 the Board's hearing. We agree with Respondent that these costs are not reasonable and therefore
10 reduce Complainant's overall claim by \$780.00. Therefore the Board finds that an award of
11 \$12,670.50 for services performed by Mr. Langton and an award of \$3,021.25 for services
12 rendered by Mr. Dreher are reasonable amounts. These two amounts totaled together represent
13 an award of \$15,691.75 in attorney's fees.

14 Given the foregoing, the Board hereby awards Complainant \$15,691.75 in attorney's fees
15 and \$2,462.91 in costs, for a total award of \$18,154.16.

16 DATED this 3rd day of May, 2011.

17 LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE-
18 MANAGEMENT RELATIONS BOARD

19 BY: 

20 SEATON J. CURRAN, ESQ., Chairman

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NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

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12 To: Michael E. Langton, Esq.

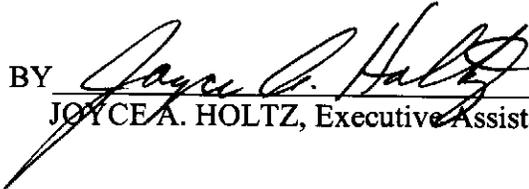
13 To: Donald Christensen, Esq.

14 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an ORDER was entered in the above-entitled matter on
15 May 3, 2011.

16 A copy of said order is attached hereto.

17 DATED this 3rd day of May, 2011.

18 LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE-
19 MANAGEMENT RELATIONS BOARD

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21 BY 
22 JOYCE A. HOLTZ, Executive Assistant

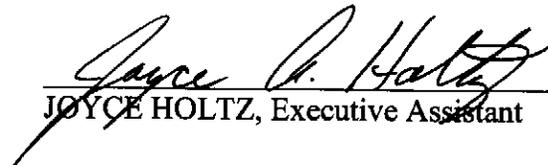
1 **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

2 I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Local Government Employee-Management
3 Relations Board, and that on the 3rd day of May, 2011, I served a copy of the foregoing ORDER
4 by mailing a copy thereof, postage prepaid to:

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