Dear Mayor Brandon M. Scott, Council President Nick J. Mosby, and Honorable Council Members,

Please find attached the Law Department’s “Significant Litigation Report” as required by Council Bill 19-0409 (“the Bill”). The Law Department is posting the report on its website today, and we provide it to you directly via email as a courtesy.

As you are aware, the Bill defines “significant litigation” to include “any suit, action or legal proceeding in a state or federal court.” Accordingly, as in the past, this report does not include claims, administrative proceedings, or matters settled before a lawsuit was initiated in the courts. Further, “significant litigation” is defined to include cases in which over $100,000 in damages is demanded, and/or in which injunctive relief is sought (i.e. “an agency, official or employee is demanded to take, continue, or discontinue a certain action or practice.”). The Report is compiled by Law Department Practice Groups including Litigation, Police Legal Affairs, Labor and Employment, and Appeals.

The Law Department seeks to provide complete and accurate information. We welcome any suggestions from the Mayor, members of the Council, or the public.

Sincerely,

James L. Shea
City Solicitor