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Knightsen Town Community Services District P.O. Box 763 Knightsen, CA 94548



October 3, 2022

Dear Ms. Abreu:

Sent via e-mail to: Lori Abreu Ioriabreu10@gmail.com

On behalf of the Knightsen Town Community Services District (KTCSD), I am responding to your e-mail to KTCSD dated, September 27, 2022.

Reviewing your email, it is not clearly discernable to the District what information you are requesting. You state, "the June 30, 2020 audit shows \$18,280 professional services and \$6,517 in county charges however I don't see as such on the budget listed that way. June 30, 2019 demonstrates \$17,324 in professional fees and \$12,397 in engineering."

The District's financials are audited annually. The District also adopts a budget for each Fiscal Year. The District's Fiscal Year runs from July 1 to June 30 of the following year. The budget is a projection, or an estimate of what the District expects to expend during the Fiscal Year. The audit, which is conducted after the Fiscal Year ends, is an accounting of actual expenses. Since the budget is an estimate of expenses at the beginning of the Fiscal Year and the audit reflects actual expenses, it is highly unlikely and completely unexpected that that they will exactly match. Sometimes projected expenses are higher than actual expenses and sometimes projected expenses are lower than actual expenses.

In your email you ask, "What was the 18K spent on?" Each time the District holds a regularly scheduled meeting, there is a Treasurer's Report of all bills paid. The minutes of all the meetings are provided on the District's website https://knightsentowncsd.specialdistrict.org/. If you have inquiries about how District funds are spent, I refer you to these minutes that list actual expenditure amounts.

In your email you state, "CSD is a public entity and my understanding the consulting of an attorney on behalf of Knightsen does not fall under attorney/client privilege." You are mistaken. Attorney/client privilege is standard practice applicable to both public and private sectors. Attorney/client privilege has a clearly established foundation in the law and is something that is recognized by cities, counties, and special districts such as KTCSD.

Sincerely,

Trish Bello-Kunkel

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Chairperson, Knightsen Town Community Services District



Knightsen CSD <knightsencsd@gmail.com>

Re: Records Request

1 message

Knightsen CSD <knightsencsd@gmail.com> To: Lori Abreu <loriabreu10@gmail.com>

Mon, Oct 3, 2022 at 3:00 PM

Good Afternoon Ms. Abreu, Attached please find the letter in response to your inquiry.

Trish Bello-Kunkel, Chairperson Knightsen Town Community Services District (KTCSD)

On Tue, Sep 27, 2022 at 6:32 PM Lori Abreu < loriabreu 10@gmail.com > wrote: Trish.

In reviewing the records, the June 30, 2020 audit shows \$18,280 professional services and \$6,517 in county charges however I don't see as such on the budget listed that way. June 30, 2019 demonstrates \$17,324 in professional fees and \$12,397 in engineering. I don't see any documents uploaded on the web site for 2020/2019 that would have benefited Knightsen and resulted in such a high amount in professional services. What was the the 18K spent on? Also, did the KTCSD attorney advise that all reports and correspondence are confidential? CSD is a public entity and my understanding the consulting of an attorney on behalf of Knightsen does not fall under attorney/client privilege. There should be files we are allowed to review, please provide.



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