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Via email at [REDACTED]  
Kelly Brandon  
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RE: *Public Record Matters Involving the City of Lincoln*  
Our File No. 20241028

Dear Ms. Brandon:

This letter is our final response to your public records petition pertaining to the engagement agreement between the City of Lincoln (City) and Baird Holm LLP referenced in Executive Order No. 97961. On March 1, 2024, we indicated to you that our determination would be delayed as we evaluated the City's claims of privilege regarding this document. We informed you that our decision in this matter would be made no later than March 15.

On March 12, 2024, the City provided the undersigned a redacted copy of the engagement agreement, a copy of which is enclosed with this letter. As briefly noted in our March 1 letter, although § 84-712.03 creates enforcement responsibilities for this office, there is no statutory mechanism for an in camera review of records by the Attorney General. Under § 84-712.03(2), that procedure is left for the courts. Consequently, we will rely on representations from the City's attorneys that the redacted material falls within the exception in § 84-712.05(4).

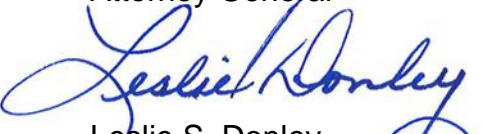
Since it appears the City has now provided you all records responsive to your requests, and because we have no ability to inspect the engagement agreement, this office will take no further action with respect to this matter. If you disagree with this

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conclusion, you are free to pursue the other legal remedies available to you under § 84-712.03 of the Nebraska Public Records Statutes.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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