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My name is Claudia Hochstein. I am a resident of Ward 5, Precinct 1, zip code 55117, represented by Council Member HwaJeong Kim.

I am writing regarding RES 26-1659. It is unconscionable our tax dollars to pay for an attorney at up to $500 per hour to provide legal aid to the mayor who:

- Exhibited offensive and inappropriate behavior with city employees,
- Created and shared offensive material, and
- Made an uncomfortable work environment for city employees.

In a time when our property taxes are increasing along with all of our other expenses only to see city services cut, this is a terrible use of those finite dollars.

Further, Fisher Phillips is a notorious union-busting and anti-worker law firm. To see our tax dollars funneled to them, especially to defend a mayor whose term has been defined by making the work environment for Saint Paul's public servants even more uncomfortable than it already is, is a slap in the face to the people who make this city run.

Mayor Her clearly wanted to f*** around, and I do not think that our tax dollars should go to preventing her from finding out.