

Corporation Counsel's Office 2024-2025 Total Request: \$350,554

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CITY OF AUBURN



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CORPORATION COUNSEL

What We Do

- Counsel to Mayor and Council, City Manager, all City Departments, and all City Boards and Committees
- Prosecute and defend all actions brought by or against the above
- Prepare and approve as to form Ordinances, Local Laws and Council Resolutions
- Prepare and review all contracts for the City of Auburn
- Process and investigate all claims against the City of Auburn
- Manage all Labor issues
- Review and defend all assessment and tax certiorari claims
- Examine and approve title to all real property acquired by the City of Auburn and prepare documents and proceedings for the sale of City owned property



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How We Do It

New York Statutes & Court Rules

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Includes current version of New York statutes, constitution & court rules. Browse Table of Contents below or search

Effective Date:

Effective date versioning not available for certain content such as court rules and Federal Sentencing Guidelines

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- Statutes (§ 1 to § 424)
- Constitution of the State of New York (§ 1)
- Abandoned Property Law (§ 101 to § 1502)
- Agricultural Conservation and Adjustment Law (§ 1 to § 28)
- Agriculture and Markets Law (§ 1 to § 555)
- Alcoholic Beverage Control Law (§ 1)
- Alternative County Government Law (§ 1 to § 703)
- Arts and Cultural Affairs Law (§ 1.01 to § 61.13)
- Banking Law (§ 1 to § 9019)
- Benevolent Orders Law (§ 1 to § 21)
- Business Corporation Law (§ 101)
- Canal Law (§ 1 to § 142)
- Cannabis Law (§ 1 to § 139)
- Civil Practice Law and Rules (§ 101 to § 10005)
- Civil Rights Law (§ 1 to § 101)

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City Charter Creates the Structure of City Government

Chapter C Charter

[HISTORY: Adopted by Chapter 438, Acts of 1920. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Boards, committees and commissions — See Ch. 11.

Settlement of claims — See Ch. 19.


Continuity of government — See Ch. 22.

Ethics — See Ch. 33.

Officers and employees — See Ch. 62.

Police Department — See Ch. 68.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Schedule of Laws Repealed 

Article I General Provisions

§ C-1 Incorporation and name; boundaries.

§ C-2 Powers of City.

§ C-3 Election districts.

Article II Officers, Powers and Duties

§ C-4 Elective officers; qualifications.

§ C-5 Terms of elective officers.

§ C-6 Nomination and election of elective officers.

§ C-7 Council; compensation.



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Municipal Code

The Code

- Part I, Administrative Legislation** >
- Chapter 1 **General Provisions** (§ 1-1 – § 1-22) >
- Chapter 5 **Appearance Tickets** (§ 5-1 – § 5-5) >
- Chapter 11 **Boards, Committees and Commissions** (§ 11-1 – § 11-33) >
- Chapter 16 **City Council** (§ 16-1) >
- Chapter 19 **Claims, Settlement of** (§ 19-1) >
- Chapter 22 **Continuity of Government** (§ 22-1 – § 22-8) >
- Chapter 30 **Equal Employment Opportunity** (§ 30-1 – § 30-4) >
- Chapter 33 **Ethics** (§ 33-1 – § 33-23) >
- Chapter 52 **Local Laws, Adoption of** (§ 52-1 – § 52-4) >



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CORPORATION COUNSEL

Who We Are

	24-25 Budget	23-24 Budget
Salaries	310,027	295,907

- Corporation Counsel
- Assistant Corporation Counsel
- Paralegal



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Fees and Operating Expenses

	24-25 Budget	23-24 Budget
Consulting Fees	12,500	2,500
Fees & Services	6,702	5,000
Furniture and Fixtures (Westlaw)	3,000	-----
Travel & Training	2,000	2,000
Office Equipment/Supplies	650	700
Utilities	1,075	1,075

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Human Rights Commission

	24-25 Budget	23-24 Budget
Operating Grant	15,000	5,000



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Upcoming Challenges and Opportunities

- Shepard Watershed Rules and Regulations litigation
- Consider changes to tax foreclosure system
- Leverage the City's Pro Housing designation
- Employ new local civil enforcement authority to target unlicensed cannabis stores



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Corporation Counsel's Office Ethos

Every day we strive to bring our legal knowledge and analytical skills to bear in assisting City Council and the leadership and staff of the City's various departments in the collective pursuit of making Auburn great.



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AUBURN

Loveliest Village of the Plain

1. Home of the Columbian Rope and Twine.
2. A city of manufacturing enterprises in the midst of a fertile farming district.
3. Making possible with ease the obtaining of many of the every day necessities of life.
4. A city of homes and plenty of ground about them.
5. Rents are nominal and living reasonable. Enabling you to start something, namely, a bank account.
6. Clean streets and sanitary conditions are the best.
7. Abundant churches for the protection of the moral and spiritual welfare of your children.
8. No better schools for the education of your children can be found anywhere.
9. Thirteen public schools administered by a most representative body chosen by all the people, and four parochial schools under wise supervision.
10. Owasco Lake, one of the prettiest of the Finger Lakes, with Lakeside Park at the foot, two miles from the business center.
11. Lakeside Park, known as Auburn's playground, reached by two trolley lines.

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