

CITY ATTORNEY

The mission of the San José City Attorney's office is to provide excellent legal services, consistent with the highest professional and ethical standards, with the goal of protecting and advancing the City's interests in serving the people of San José.

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The City Attorney's Office provides legal counsel and advice, prepares legal documents, and provides legal representation to advocate, defend, and prosecute on behalf of the City of San José and the Successor Agency to the San José Redevelopment Agency.

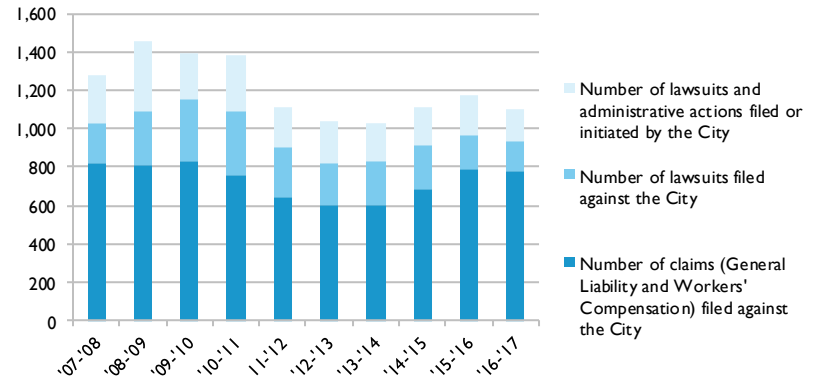
The operating budget for the City Attorney's Office totaled \$17 million* in 2016-17.

Although staffing increased by three positions from two years prior—it is still much lower compared to a decade ago.

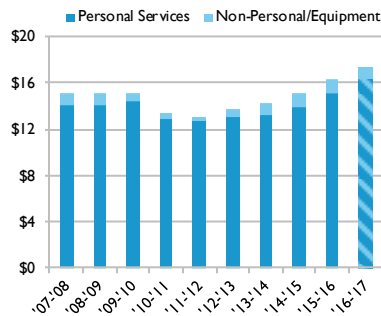
The City Attorney's Office handled 1,100 new claims and litigation matters in 2016-17 and prepared or reviewed more than 4,800 legal transactions, documents, and memoranda. In 2016-17, litigation-related collections totaled about \$46.2 million largely due to a Housing Authority settlement, while general liability payments totaled about \$6.8 million.

*The City Attorney's Office also oversaw \$140,000 in actual Citywide expenses for fiscal reform plan outside legal counsel.

Claims and Lawsuits

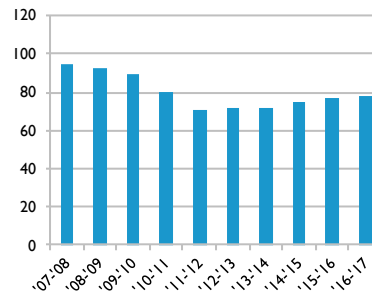


City Attorney Operating Expenditures (\$millions)



Note: 2016-17 is adopted budget data. All other years are actual expenses.

City Attorney Authorized Positions



Litigation-Related Collections and General Liability Payments (\$millions)

