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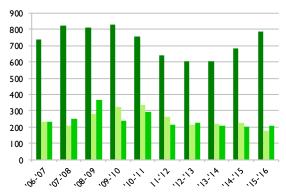
The City Attorney's Office provides legal counsel and advice, prepares legal documents, and provides legal representation to advocate, defend, and prosecute on behalf of the City of San José and the Successor Agency to the San José Redevelopment Agency.

The operating budget for the City Attorney's Office totaled \$17 million\* in 2015-16.

Staffing increased by 2 positions from last year. Compared to ten years ago, the number of positions decreased 22 percent from 99 to 77.

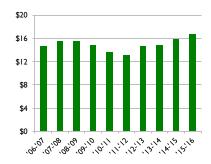
The City Attorney's Office handled 1,170 new claims and litigation matters in 2015-16 and prepared or reviewed more than 5,600 legal transactions, documents and memoranda. In 2015-16, litigation-related collections totaled about \$10.6 million while general liability payments totaled about \$1 million.

### Claims and Lawsuits

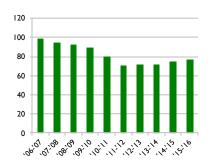


- Number of claims (General Liability and Workers' Compensation) filed against the City
- Number of lawsuits filed against the City
- Number of lawsuits and administrative actions filed or initiated by the City

# City Attorney Operating Budget (\$millions)



#### **City Attorney Authorized Positions**



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



<sup>\*</sup>The City Attorney's Office also oversaw \$400,000 in actual Citywide expenses for fiscal reform plan outside legal counsel.