Date: February 10, 2025 To: Board of Directors

From: General Manager, Wayne Hunter Subject: Anderson Mori & Tomotsune Payment

#### Motion

Approve the payment of 681,271 yen to Anderson Mori & Tomotsune for services rendered in FY2022.

### **Objective**

To fulfill the club's obligation to make payment for services rendered.

## **Background**

The club requested Anderson Mori & Tomotsune services for support regarding several matters, including the cases with Izawa and Komine, F&B vendor and staff issues. Due to the high cost, the club subsequently changed to Miyake Law Office for legal services, however through the changing of Treasurer's and Boards the final invoice was not approved for payment and payment was therefore not completed. Anderson Mori & Tomotsune have requested the club make payment. The original invoice in February 2023 was for 1,175,025 yen, at that time Hirado-san negotiated and received a discount down to 801,019 yen. I also sought and received a further discount, down to 681,271 yen, provided that payment is within 30 days.

The February 16, 2023 Board minutes state that AMT was retained (see below excerpt) for the Komine case. I could not find anything related to AMT and Izawa or W&D etc in a brief minutes search, however these are mentioned in the outstanding invoice.

The Club had a retainer with AMT (for fours hours per month) from 2016 through August 2021 and then utilized remaining unused hours until August 2022. Services from September 2022 until February 2023 were not under the retainer agreement and charged at their hourly rates.

#### "New Lawsuit

On February 15th, a new lawsuit was filed against FCCJ.

Plaintiff: KOMINE

Background:

A PAC event was brought to the club by lawyers and an NGO group supporting a former foreign employee of a company which had confiscated her passport. Komine denies taking her passport and demanded that FCCJ should delete the news conference footage available online.

The lawsuit was brought against FCCJ's refusal to remove the footage.

At the time of the PAC event, Hattori was AGM, Isabel Reynolds was President.

AMT was appointed as FCCJ's legal team."

## **Pros & Cons**

#### PROS:

Fulfills the club's obligation to make payment for services.

## CONS:

➤ None.

# Financial impact

The club already booked the payment of 801,019 yen in FY2022 financial statements, however the payment of 681,271 yen will be reflected in our current cashflow statement.

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