

3rd edition of MRG agreement before SLT council

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At the May 15 South Lake Tahoe City Council meeting the electeds will be asked to spend \$11,500 in taxpayer money on a contract that even the interim city attorney said she has questions with.

The council **earlier this month** discussed the bill from MRG. Consensus could not be reached on what to do.

Now the item is on Tuesday's consent agenda. This is where slam dunk issues usually are placed. However, it is possible for anyone – even a member of the public – to pull any consent item off for discussion.

What's different in the packet this time is that the October and November agreements from the firm are included. Only one was earlier this month.

A major difference is a new letter dated May 7 from Mary Egan, principal of MRG. It has revisions from the previous two documents. A major difference is the removal of language having to do with providing the city with written documentation of her work. The latest correspondence, which like the others was to interim City Attorney Nira Doherty, said, "I continue to agree not to discuss the scope or product of work, or my participation in it, with third parties."

What isn't known is if the deputy district attorney investigating the allegations of illegal activity being conducted during closed sessions by the electeds will want to interview Egan and if she would do so with or without a subpoena.