

Ceres City leaders question White Brenner's skyrocketing legal bills.

Why isn't Patterson?

“Vierra wants to explore rising city attorney costs”

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“Some of our costs are exceeding even what surrounding cities are paying for attorneys,” said Vierra.

City leaders in Ceres have called for a review of their legal spending after seeing costs far exceed the City's budget. What does this have to do with Patterson? You guessed it, both cities use the same outside legal firm, White Brenner LLP, to act as their City Attorney.

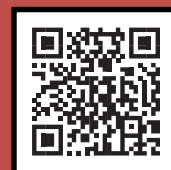
And just like Ceres, Patterson's own legal bills from White Brenner have soared to over **\$1 million a year**, with September and October's invoices at **over \$550,000!!** That's over \$12,000 per business day. So why are Patterson's leaders silent while other cities sound the fiscal alarm? Why aren't Patterson's leaders spending this money on essential services like fire fighters?

What will it take for the Mayor and City Council of Patterson to take action and protect taxpayer dollars?

Patterson deserves answers.

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