



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney
Hydee Feldstein Soto

REPORT NO. R24-0244
May 10, 2024

**REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)**

REPORT RE:

**PROPOSED LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH
COLANTUONO, HIGHSMITH & WHATLEY
TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES RELATED TO
DUSTIN BRAMELL v. CITY OF LOS ANGELES, ET AL.
LASC Case No. 23STCP03825**

The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), the City Attorney's Office wishes to meet in closed session to discuss the need to retain outside counsel to assist in the defense of the lawsuit entitled *Dustin Bramell v. City of Los Angeles, et al.* In that effort, the City Attorney's Office puts forth the following recommendation:

1. Approve a contract with Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC in an initial amount of \$100,000 for outside counsel assistance with *Bramell v. City of Los Angeles, et al.*, LASC Case No. 23STCP03825.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Assistant City Attorney Gabriel Dermer at (213) 978-7558 or Deputy City Attorney Arlene Hoang at (213) 978-7508. They or another member of this office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

HYDEE FELDSTEIN SOTO, City Attorney

By


ANNE HALEY
Assistant City Attorney