



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney  
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REPORT NO. **R25-0127**  
March 14, 2025

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

REPORT RE:

**PROPOSED LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MEYERS NAVE RELATED TO  
LEON FAYNSOD, ET AL. V. CITY OF LA, CASE NO. 23STCV12209  
(CONSOLIDATED PER COURT ORDER WITH LEONID PUSTILNIKOV, ET AL. V.  
CITY OF LA, CASE NO. 23STCV13171)**

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 for outside counsel assistance and funding for a high-stakes inverse condemnation case involving multiple properties located in Pacific Palisades, and puts forth the following Recommendations for the City Council's consideration:

**Recommendations**

1. That the City Attorney or her designee be authorized to enter into a contract with Meyers Nave to assist with the case for an initial term of three years and in an initial amount of \$195,000; and

2. That the CAO be asked to identify funding in this amount for this contract and include it in the year-end Financial Status Report; and

3. That the City Attorney or her designee be authorized to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the CAO, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Assistant City Attorney Zakia Kator at (213) 978-8182. She or another member of this office will be present when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

HYDEE FELDSTEIN SOTO, City Attorney

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