



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney  
Hydee Feldstein Soto

REPORT NO. R24-0273  
May 23, 2024

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

REPORT RE:

**REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATIONS  
FOR OUTSIDE COUNSEL**

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 545956.9(d)(1), the City Attorney's Office wishes to meet in closed session to discuss the need for additional funding and/or term extensions for the following outside counsel contracts, and puts forth the following Recommendations for the City Council's consideration:

1. Ask that the City Administrative Officer (CAO) identify funding in the amount of \$2,083,000 to accommodate the shortfall needed to fund all current projections through June 2024 in outside counsel contracts listed in items #2 and #3 below and transfer this amount to Fund 100, Department No. 12, Account No. 009301 - Outside Counsel on the Year End Financial Status report;
2. Authorize the City Attorney to amend the following contracts to increase their respective authority amounts as follows:

C138915	Burke Williams Sorensen	\$240,000
C138838	Hurrell Cantrall	\$140,000
C141687	Burke Williams & Sorensen	\$33,000
C141688	Manning & Kass	\$60,000
C145398	Lagasse Branch Bell & Kinhead	\$265,000
C143507	Liebert Cassidy & Whitmore	\$400,000
C133343	Ice Miller	\$20,000
C143190	Munger, Tolles & Olson	\$350,000
C143733	Shumener Odson & Oh	<u>\$270,000</u>
		\$1,778,000

3. Acknowledge previous Council action to approve the following contracts included on this report's funding request:

CF24-0212	Shumaker Loop & Kendrick (C145145)	\$50,000
CF24-0459	Hogan Lovells LLP	\$100,000
CF24-0417	Nossaman (C145365)	\$100,000
CF24-0437	Burke Williams & Sorensen	<u>\$ 55,000</u>
		\$305,000

4. Authorize the City Attorney to amend its contract C-129460 with Colantuono Highsmith & Whatley, P.C., to extend its term by one year to February 7, 2025.
5. Authorize the City Attorney or designee 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 Anne Haley at (213) 978-8100. A member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

HYDEE FELDSTEIN SOTO, City Attorney

By



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Chief Deputy