



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney  
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REPORT NO. **R24-0175**  
April 12, 2024

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

REPORT RE:

**PROPOSED LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH  
BURKE, WILLIAMS & SORENSON, LLP  
TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE LITIGATION  
*THE HIGHROAD LLC v. CITY OF LOS ANGELES, ET AL.*  
No. 21STCV37436**

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 the law firm Burke Williams & Sorenson, LLP to assist in the litigation *The Highroad LLC v. City of Los Angeles, et al.*

The City Attorney's recommendations are as follows:

1. That the City Attorney be authorized to enter into a contract with the law firm Burke Williams & Sorenson, LLP to assist with the *Highroad* litigation for an initial term of three years and in an initial amount of \$55,000;

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;
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.

We ask that this matter be placed on the Budget & Finance Committee's next scheduled closed session agenda.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Adrienne Khorasanee at (213) 978-8246 or Yongdan Li at (213) 978-8105. They, or another member of this Office, will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

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