

BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a conflict-of-interest waiver for Thompson Coburn LLP, in its representation of L.A. Xpress, Inc. in the matter of Victor Estuardo Jovel v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV32605.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to execute a conflict-of-interest waiver to allow the law firm Thompson Coburn LLP, currently retained to represent the City for the Port of Los Angeles' Clean Air Action Plan and Federal Clean Air Act regulatory and litigation matters, and to also represent L.A. Xpress, Inc. and its owner, Kenneth MacKenzie in Victor Estuardo Jovel v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV32605.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on February 14, 2024, your Budget, Finance and Innovation Committee considered a City Attorney report relative to a conflict-of-interest waiver for Thompson Coburn LLP, in its representation of L.A. Xpress, Inc. in the matter of Victor Estuardo Jovel v. City of Los Angeles.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee recommended to move forward the recommendation contained in the City Attorney report, as detailed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

BUDGET, FINANCE AND INNOVATION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON	YES
YAROSLAVSKY	YES
MCOSKER	YES
RODRIGUEZ	YES

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