

Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney
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REPORT NO. **R24-0363**
July 5, 2024

**REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1), (d)(2) & (e)(1)**

REPORT RE:

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH KENDALL
BRILL & KELLY, LLP RELATED TO THE JULY 11, 2021, SEWAGE DISCHARGE
INCIDENT AT THE HYPERION WATER RECLAMATION PLANT**

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 Sections 54956.9(d)(1), (d)(2), and (e)(1), the City Attorney's Office wishes to meet in closed session to discuss the need for additional funding for one of its outside counsel contracts. Government Code Section 54956.9 requires the issuance of a public statement that includes the section subdivision that authorizes the closed meeting, and that the closed meeting is held to confer or discuss with, or receive advice from, legal counsel regarding exposure to litigation. This request for closed session relates to Kendall Brill & Kelly, LLP'S representation of the City on a matter related to the Hyperion spill of July 11, 2021.

Recommendation

This office puts forth the following recommendations for the City Council's consideration:

1. Approve an amendment to Contract No. C-144882 with Kendall Brill & Kelly, LLP that increases the contract ceiling by \$955,000 for a total contract amount of \$1.105 million.

2. Authorize the City Attorney or designee to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions


The Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) will pay for this amended contract from LASAN special funds, and LASAN supports this recommendation. Therefore, we ask that the matter be placed on the closed session agendas of the Budget and Finance Committee and City Council as soon as practicable.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the Chief Deputy City Attorney Valerie Flores at 213.978.8100. She or another member of this Office will be available when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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