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

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT RE:

**PROPOSED LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH BEVERIDGE & DIAMOND PC
AND SUMMA LLP FOR LEGAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE JULY 11, 2021,
SEWAGE DISCHARGE INCIDENT AT THE HYPERION WATER RECLAMATION
PLANT AND WAIVER OF POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Honorable Members:

This Office recommends that discussion with, and advice from, legal counsel with respect to significant exposure to litigation be scheduled by City Council and held in closed session pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9(d)(2) & (e)(1). Government Code Section 54956.9 requires you to state publicly, prior to the closed session, what division of this section authorizes the closed meeting, and that the closed session is being held to confer or discuss with, or receive advice from, legal counsel regarding significant exposure to litigation.


This Office also recommends that Council approve the retention of Beveridge & Diamond PC and Summa LLP as outside counsel on this matter and that the City enter into three-year contracts for a budget not to exceed \$300,000 in each contract, as well as approve the waiver of a potential conflict of interest that Summa LLP requested.

We ask that the matter be placed on the Budget and Finance Committee's closed session agenda as soon as reasonably practicable.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Adena Hopenstand 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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