

## **RESOLUTION NO. 27391**

WHEREAS, on recommendation of Management, there was presented for approval, Third Amendment to Contract DA-5078 with Remy Moose Manley LLP to add funding of \$100,000, for new total not to exceed \$680,000, covering legal services related to Los Angeles World Airports' California Environmental Quality Act issues; and

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Justin Erbacci Chief Executive Officer WHEREAS, in May 2016, by Resolution 25958, the Board of Airport Commissioners authorized the Chief Executive Officer of Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and the City Attorney's Office to enter into a contract with Remy Moose Manley LLP for said services; and

WHEREAS, the Third Amendment will provide for additional advice on issues related to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), but does not include a budget for Airfield and Terminal Modernization Project post-approval litigation defense. Should the need arise, the City Attorney's Airport Division will obtain a cost estimate from the law firm and notify the Board of Airport Commissioners accordingly; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney's Airport Division does not have sufficient expertise and personnel to address the vast array of highly technically, legally complex, fast moving, and multifaceted CEQA issues. The need for legal expertise for these tasks is highly specialized and project-based, with spikes in required assistance. Employment of additional in-house attorneys would not provide the up-to-date, wide range of technical expertise or critical mass when needed; and

WHEREAS, funds for the contract are available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 LAWA Operating Budget in LAX Cost Center 1110004 – Legal Services Division, Commitment Item 520 – Contractual Services. Funds for subsequent periods will be requested as part of the annual budget process; and

WHEREAS, this action, as a continuing administrative activity, is exempt from CEQA requirements pursuant to Article II, Section 2.f. of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, Remy Moose Manley LLP is required by contract to comply with the provisions of the Living Wage Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Remy Moose Manley LLP is required by contract to comply with the provisions of the Affirmative Action Program; and

WHEREAS, Remy Moose Manley LLP has been assigned Business Tax Registration Certificate 0002797999-0001-1; and

WHEREAS, Remy Moose Manley LLP is required by contract to comply with the provisions of the Child Support Obligations Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Remy Moose Manley LLP has approved insurance documents, in the terms and amounts required, on file with LAWA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Charter Section 1022, it has been determined that the work specified in the contract can be performed more feasibly or economically by an independent contractor than by City employees; and



WHEREAS, Remy Moose Manley LLP has submitted the Contractor Responsibility Program Pledge of Compliance and comply with the provisions of the Contractor Responsibility Ordinance prior to execution of the contract; and

WHEREAS, Remy Moose Manley LLP has been determined by Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance, to be in full compliance with the provisions of the Equal Benefits Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Remy Moose Manley LLP will be required to comply with the provisions of the First Source Hiring Program for all non-trade Los Angeles International Airport jobs; and

WHEREAS, Remy Moose Manley LLP has submitted the MLO Bidder Certification CEC Form 50 and Bidder Contributions CEC Form 55, and will comply with their provisions prior to execution of the contract; and

WHEREAS, actions taken on this item by the Board of Airport Commissioners will become final pursuant to the provisions of Los Angeles City Charter Section 373;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Airport Commissioners adopted the Staff Report; determined that this action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Article II, Section 2.f. of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; found that the work can be performed more economically or feasibly by an independent contractor than by City employees; approved the Third Amendment to Contract DA-5078 with Remy Moose Manley LLP to add funding of \$100,000, for new total not to exceed \$680,000, covering legal services related to Los Angeles World Airports' California Environmental Quality Act issues; and authorized the Chief Executive Officer to execute said Third Amendment to Contract DA-5078 with Remy Moose Manley LLP after approval as to form by the City Attorney and approval by the Los Angeles City Council.

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I hereby certify that this Resolution No. 27391 is true and correct, as adopted by the Board of Airport Commissioners at its Regular Meeting held on Thursday, December 16, 2021.

Grace Miguel - Secretary

BOARD OF AIRPORT COMMISSIONERS