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MOTION

Our budgetary limitations have stretched the abilities of the City Attorney to provide legal services in a variety of areas while still maintaining a focus on public safety. In the case of the City Attorney's role as advisor to the City Council, this has resulted in the delay of many key ordinances which the Council is waiting to adopt as well as in other legal services necessary for the Council to proceed with its duties and responsibilities.

Current Charter requirements prevent the Council and the Chief Legislative Analyst from having the flexibility to retain attorneys to provide legal counsel, including among other things, for the preparation of ordinances.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst be directed to prepare and present the documents necessary to place before the voters at the March, 2013 City election a ballot measure to permit the Chief Legislative Analyst, upon a finding of need by the City Council, to employ attorneys to provide legal services to the Chief Legislative Analyst.

PRESENTED BY:

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