

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to additional funding for outside counsel.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. TRANSFER \$852,000 from the Unappropriated Balance, Outside Counsel Including Workers Compensation line item, to the City Attorney, Fund No. 100/12, Account No. 009301.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to amend, increasing the maximum compensation, the following contracts by these respective amounts:

<u>Contract No.</u>	<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
C130402	Sanders Roberts	\$290,000
C132206	Sanders Roberts	\$375,000
C106214	Colantuono Highsmith and Whatley	\$11,000
C 129460	Colantuono Highsmith and Whatley	\$150,000
C122342	Theodora Oringher PC	\$11,000

3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to enter into a contract with Fox Rothschild for a period of three years to accommodate John Hansberry's move from the law firm of Pepper Hamilton, for his continued assistance in the Mei Ling Department of Justice Investigation; and, TRANSFER the remaining balance under the Pepper Hamilton Contract (C130531), \$270,495, to the new contract with Fox Rothschild.
4. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to fund the contract with Meyers Nave, already approved by Council for assistance in the Santa Susana matter, in the amount of \$15,000.
5. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal Counsel relative to the above matter.)

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on January 14, 2019, the Budget and Finance Committee considered a report from the City Attorney, dated December 6, 2018, relative to a request for appropriations for outside counsel. The Committee discussed the matter in Closed Session.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Budget and Finance Committee approved the recommendations of the City Attorney. This matter is now forwarded to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KREKORIAN:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
BONIN:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES

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