BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the retention of the law firm Meyers Nave as outside counsel regarding the Santa Susana Field Lab.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Smith - Wesson):

INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO), with the assistance of the City Attorney, to report on a source of funds, including, but not limited to, the Outside Counsel funds, to retain outside counsel regarding the Santa Susana Field Lab.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has conducted a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(The Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(d)(4), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the above matter.)

## <u>SUMMARY</u>

At its regular meeting held on April 1, 2019, the Budget and Finance Committee considered a Motion relative to the retention of the law firm Meyers Nave as outside counsel regarding the Santa Susana Field Lab. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(d) (4), the Committee discussed the matter in Closed Session.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Budget and Finance Committee recommended that the Council instruct the CAO, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to identify funding sources to retain outside counsel, Meyers Nave regarding the Santa Susana Field Lab. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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