

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to outside counsel expenditures for Fiscal Year (FY) 2013-14.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. NOTE and FILE the City Attorney's report relative to outside counsel expenditures for FY 2013-14 as of June 30, 2014.
2. REQUEST the City Attorney to identify areas that require greater use of outside counsel and conduct a cost benefit analysis on increasing in-house expertise in those areas versus increasing use of outside counsel.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At its meeting of October 6, 2014, the Budget and Finance Committee considered the City Attorney's report relative to outside counsel expenditures for FY 2013-14 as of June 30, 2014. The City Attorney reports that information is included for all City departments, regardless of funding source, and expenditure data is provided for each contract and includes appropriation amounts and contract balances. During Committee discussion, a City Attorney representative provided an overview of the report and responded to related questions from Committee members. After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Budget and Finance Committee recommended to note and file the report and request the City Attorney to identify areas that require greater use of outside counsel and conduct a cost benefit analysis on increasing in-house expertise in those areas versus increasing use of outside counsel. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

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