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**REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO  
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)**

REPORT RE:

**SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS**

SIPPLE, et al. v. THE CITY OF ALAMEDA, et al.  
LASC CASE NO. BC 462270

The Honorable City Council  
Of the City of Los Angeles  
Room 395, City Hall  
200 North Main Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Honorable Members:

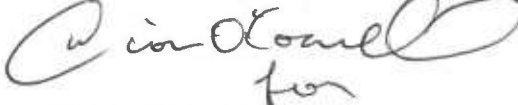
This Office recommends that discussions with, and advice from, legal counsel regarding the recommendation for City Council action in this matter be scheduled and held in closed session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) requires you to state publicly prior to the closed session, what subdivision of the Section authorizes the closed meeting, and that the closed session is being held to confer or discuss with, or receive advice from, legal counsel regarding a pending business tax dispute, which is likely to result in litigation.

This matter involves a class action tax refund lawsuit brought by various plaintiffs against numerous public entities for collecting taxes on internet access charges in violation of federal law.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Assistant City Attorney Beverly A. Cook at (213) 978-7760. She or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

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