

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a request for waiver of conflict of interest for outside counsel firm Best Best and Krieger.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the request for waiver of conflict of interest for Best Best and Krieger in its representation of Ozzy Media, Inc.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on June 18, 2018, the Budget and Finance Committee considered a report from the City Attorney dated May 25, 2018 relative to a request for waiver of conflict of interests for the outside counsel firm Best Best and Krieger in it's representation of Ozzy Media, Inc. The City Attorney reports that the professional services Best Best and Krieger is providing to the City is unrelated to Best Best and Krieger's representation of Ozzy Media, Inc. in connection with a legal assessment provided to Ozzy Media, Inc. regarding whether certain advertisements are permissible under the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) and related laws, and if not, to potentially proposes amendment to those codes. However, due to Best Best and Krieger's representation of the City, it is required under California Rules of Professional Conduct to request a waiver from the City.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Budget and Finance Committee approved the recommendation of the City Attorney to grant the waiver of conflict of interest. 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:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
BONIN:	YES

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