

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the retention of Sanders Roberts LLP as outside counsel.

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

1. APPROVE the retention of Sanders Roberts, LLP under a contract for a three-year term, in an initial amount not to exceed \$100,000, for outside legal services in the case entitled Jennifer Francis v. City of Los Angeles.
2. TRANSFER the amount of \$100,000 from the Unappropriated Balance, City Attorney Outside Counsel Including Workers' Compensation line item, to the City Attorney Fund No. 100/12, Account No. 009301, for the contract.

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.

(The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the retention of Sanders Roberts LLP as outside counsel for legal services in the matter entitled Jennifer Francis v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC526258.)

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on October 1, 2018, the Budget and Finance Committee considered a report from the City Attorney dated September 27, 2018, relative to the retention of the law firm Sanders Roberts, LLP as outside legal counsel, under a three-year legal services agreement, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, to assist in the defense of the case entitled Jennifer Francis v. City of Los Angeles.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, and after consulting with its legal counsel during Closed Session, the Committee approved the recommendations in the City Attorney's report relative to the retention of Sanders Roberts, LLP as outside legal counsel and announced the action in Open Session. 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:	ABSENT
KORETZ:	ABSENT
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
BONIN:	YES



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