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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT RE:
IMPLEMENTATION OF SETTLEMENT
ENGQUIST v. CITY OF LOS ANGELES
LASC CASE NO. BC591331

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

Council File No. 20-0744

Honorable Members:

This report addresses the settlement in *Engquist v. City of Los Angeles* (BC591331), a class action lawsuit filed against the City in 2015, which was settled as approved by the City Council on August 5, 2020. Consistent with the settlement, the Los Angeles Superior Court entered judgment requiring that the City pay attorneys' fees and costs of litigation in an amount of \$8,281,779.19 for the class counsel. The settlement is now final and these attorneys' fees are due. We now seek authorization to pay these fees.

It is requested that the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1) Authorize the City Attorney to draw demands from the Liability Claims Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009798, Miscellaneous Liability Payouts, as follows:

a. \$7,049,135.05 to Wolf Haldenstein Adler Freeman & Herz LLP; and

b. \$1,232,644.14 to Tostrud Law Group PC.

2) Authorize the City Attorney, or designee, to make necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at (213) 978-7786. A member of this Office will be available when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By 

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