

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a request for reimbursement of attorney fees for Deputy City Attorney Richard Tom, related to interviews requested by the Department of Justice (DOJ).

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

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney’s Office to draw a demand from Fund No. 100/12, City Attorney, Account No. 004200, Litigation Expenses as follows: Richard Tom in the amount of \$34,674.73.
2. REQUEST the City Attorney to condition payment of these fees such that, should it later be determined that Mr. Tom acted with malice, in bad faith, or outside the course and scope of his employment in matters related to the subject of the DOJ’s interview, then Mr. Tom will be required to repay the City with interest, and such monies owed in repayment shall be considered a personal debt subject to collection.
3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to make any technical corrections to these instructions to accomplish the purpose of the actions recommended in this report.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At its meeting held on September 12, 2022, the Budget and Finance Committee considered a City Attorney report relative to a request for reimbursement of attorney fees for Deputy City Attorney Richard Tom, related to interviews requested by the DOJ.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the City Attorney recommendations as listed above. 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
BLUMENFIELD	ABSENT
DE LEON	YES
RODRIGUEZ	YES
PRICE	YES

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