# TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

#### Your TRADE, COMMERCE, AND TOURISM

Committee

#### report as follows:

GENERAL EXEMPTION, TRADE, COMMERCE, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an amendment to Contract No. DA-4159 between the City of Los Angeles and Kaye Scholer, LLP for legal services related to Federal regulatory issues and litigation matters at Los Angeles International Airport.

#### Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. FIND that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. APPROVE the second amendment to Contract No. DA-4159 between the City of Los Angeles and Kaye Scholer, LLP.
- 3. CONCUR with the Board of Airport Commissioners (Board) action of October 19, 2009 authorizing the Executive Director to execute the second amendment to Contract No. DA-4159 between the City of Los Angeles and Kaye Scholer, LLP.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The City Administrative Officer reports that approval of the proposed second amendment to Contract No. DA-4159 with Kaye Scholer, LLP will provide additional compensation of \$200,000 for legal services pertaining to three matters related to federal regulatory issues and litigation matters. To fund this amendment, the Department of Airports is requesting that the Board authorize the transfer of funds totaling \$200,000 from an unrelated Kaye Scholer agreement (DA-4295) for bankruptcy legal services that expires in November 2009. The Department has determined that the funds will no longer be needed for the bankruptcy legal services contract. Since the Department is only bound by the City Debt Management Policies, the City Financial Policies are not applicable. The original agreement and proposed amendment will have no impact on the City General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

#### **TIME LIMIT FILE - DECEMBER 21, 2009**

#### (LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION – DECEMBER 16, 2009)

#### SUMMARY

At a regular meeting held on November 4, 2009, the Trade, Commerce, and Tourism Committee considered the amendment to Contract No. DA-4159 between the City of Los Angeles and Kaye Scholer, LLP for legal services related to Federal regulatory issues and litigation matters at Los Angeles International Airport. An opportunity for public comment was held. After a brief discussion, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations contained in the Board of Airport Commissioners report. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

## Respectfully submitted,

### TRADE, COMMERCE, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

MEMBER HAHN: ROSENDAHL: LABONGE:

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