

## COMMUNICATION

TO: LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

File No. 11-0573

FROM: COUNCILMEMBER BERNARD C. PARKS, CHAIR  
COUNCILMEMBER BILL ROSENDAHL, MEMBER  
BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR AND MEMBER, BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE relative to the retention and funding of outside counsel services.

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

1. APPROVE the retention of Meyers Nave for outside counsel services related to the case entitled Mark Willits v. City of Los Angeles, United States District Court Case No. CV10-5782. (This lawsuit arises out of Americans with Disabilities Act allegations regarding the City's sidewalks and curbs.)
2. APPROPRIATE and TRANSFER \$80,000 from the Unappropriated Balance, City Attorney Outside Counsel Including Workers Compensation line item to City Attorney Fund No. 100, Department 12, Account 9301 for the above referenced 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

**(Council may recess to Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) to confer with its legal counsel relative to the above matter)**

### SUMMARY

At its meeting of April 18, 2011, the Budget and Finance Committee recessed to Closed Session and considered the City Attorney's confidential report relative to the retention and funding of outside counsel services. After consideration, the Budget and Finance Committee Chair and Member returned to Open Session and recommended approval of the City Attorney's request to approve the retention of Meyers Nave and appropriate \$80,000 for outside counsel services related to the above referenced case.

This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD C. PARKS, Chair  
BILL ROSENDAHL, Member  
BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
PARKS:	YES
SMITH:	ABSENT
ROSENDAHL:	YES
HUIZAR:	ABSENT
KORETZ:	ABSENT

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