

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the retention of outside counsel, on contingency compensation basis only, for judgment collection.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to enter into a contract with Hackler Flynn & Associates, LLP, for the purpose of collecting judgments related to the work of the Federal and Local Special Abatement Operations on a contingency fee basis of 28 percent of the net recovery after deduction of costs on a per-case basis.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on December 14, 2015, the Budget and Finance Committee considered a report from the City Attorney dated November 19, 2015 relative to the retention of outside counsel, on a contingency compensation basis only, for judgment collection. The City Attorney reports that the purpose of the outside counsel is to pursue post-judgment collection remedies against persons who owe the City money because they were defendants in nuisance abatement lawsuits related to gang and/or narcotics properties they own in the City. Through a Request for Proposal, the City Attorney selected Hackler Flynn & Associates, a firm with significant experience performing this type of judgment collection work.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Budget and Finance Committee approved the recommendations in the City Attorney report. 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:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
BONIN:	ABSENT

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