



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney  
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REPORT NO. R 24-0454  
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**REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO  
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)**

REPORT RE:

**LITIGATION TO COMPEL SPECIFIC RESPONSES TO HOMELESSNESS**

*LA ALLIANCE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ET AL. v. CITY OF LOS ANGELES ET AL.*  
USDC CENTRAL DISTRICT CASE NO. 2:20-cv-02291-DOC-KES

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

Honorable Members:

On September 10, 2024, Judge David O. Carter ordered the City to present to the Mayor and City Council a proposed amendment to the engagement letter and budget from the auditing firm, Alvarez & Marsal, and a proposed recommendation for Council's consideration:

1. Approve the proposed amendment to the engagement letter and increase the auditor's budget by \$270,000.

In addition, this Office recommends that discussions with legal counsel regarding the pending litigation be scheduled and held in closed session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). Government Code Section 54956.9(g) requires you to state publicly prior to the closed session what subdivision of section 54956.9(d) authorizes the closed meeting, and that the closed session is being held to



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confer or discuss with, or receive advice from, legal counsel regarding litigation. We ask that the matter be placed on the closed session agendas of the Budget and Finance Committee and City Council as soon as practicable.

This case involves litigation to enjoin and compel the City's response to homelessness.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Arlene Hoang at (213) 978-7508 or Deputy City Attorney Jessica Mariani at (213) 978-6952. They or other members of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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