Council file No. 24-1168

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a legal services agreement with Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP for the case entitled Oceans 11 RV Park, LLC v. City of Los Angeles, et al., Court of Appeal Case No. B350259 and Case No. B354451; Los Angeles Superior Court (LASC) Case No. 24STCV16728.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to enter into a three-year contract, in an initial amount of $160,000, with the law firm Burke Williams & Sorensen, LLP for assistance in the appellate matter of Oceans 11 RV Park, LLC v. City of Los Angeles, et al., Court of Appeal Case No. B350259 and Case No. B354451; LASC Case No. 24STCV16728.

2. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to place an agenda for the first regularly scheduled City Council meeting of the new Fiscal Year 2026-27, or as soon as practicable thereafter, the following action relative to this matter and for the funding of this contract:

   "That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer $160,000 from the Unappropriated Balance, Outside Counsel Including Workers Compensation line item, to the City Attorney, Fund No. 100/12, Account No. 009301".

3. 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

[The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to California Government Code Section No. 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel to discuss the retention of Burke, Williams & Sorenson, LLP to assist the City Attorney's Office in the City's defense of Oceans 11 RV Park, LLC v. City of Los Angeles, et al., Court of Appeal Case No. B350259 and Case No. B354451; LASC Case No. 24STCV16728. (This matter arises from an appeal following the Trial Court's ruling that a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) is not required for a Recreational Vehicle (RV) Park, that the City must issue permits for Oceans 11 RV Park, LLC (Oceans 11) on a ministerial basis as Oceans11's RV Park located at 23416 South President Avenue satisfied the performance standards in Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 14.00A.7, but that the Housing Accountability Act (HAA) did not apply.]

SUMMARY

At its meeting held on June 16, 2026, your Budget and Finance Committee considered a City Attorney report, dated April 24, 2026, relative to a proposed legal services agreement for the retention of Burke, Williams & Sorenson, LLP to assist in the City's defense in the case entitled Oceans 11 RV Park, LLC v. City of Los Angeles, et al., involving permits for the Oceans 11's RV Park located at 23416 South President Avenue. After having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee discussed the matter in Closed Session and moved to approve the recommendations contained in the City Attorney report in Open Session as detailed above, as amended to include Case No. B354451. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

MEMBER	VOTE
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
HUTT:	YES
McOSKER:	YES
HERNANDEZ:	YES

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