

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the proposed agreement with Bienart Katzman Littrell Williams, LLP, to provide legal services representing City employees and officials in a federal, criminal investigation of a City employee.

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

1. APPROVE a contract with Bienart Katzman Littrell Williams, LLP, for a period of one year, in the amount of \$40,000, for outside counsel assistance representing City employees and officials in a federal criminal investigation related to a City employee.
2. ASK that the City Administrative Officer (CAO) identify funding in the amount of \$40,000, and transfer that amount to the City Attorney Fund 100/12, Account No. 009301 for this contract.
3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney or designee to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the CAO, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

On February 4, 2025, your Committee considered a City Attorney report dated January 15, 2025, relative to the proposed agreement with Bienart Katzman Littrell Williams, LLP, to provide legal services representing City employees and officials in a federal, criminal investigation of a City employee.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations in the City Attorney report, as stated above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,
BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
HUTT:	YES
McOSKER:	YES
HERNANDEZ:	YES