

RESOLUTION NO. 28250

WHEREAS, on recommendation of Management, there was presented for approval, First Amendments to both Contract DA-5590 with Atkinson Andelson Loya Ruud & Romo and Contract DA-5591 with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore to extend their respective terms by two (2) years, and add \$200,000 in contract authority to DA-5590, covering legal advice and related services for Los Angeles World Airports; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney's Office entered into a cooperative agreement with the Department of Water and Power and/or Port of Los Angeles to establish the contracts with Atkinson Andelson Loya Ruud & Romo (Atkinson) and Liebert Cassidy Whitmore (Liebert), which were obtained through a competitive process. In 2022, under Resolution 27608, the contracts between Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and said two firms were established, each for three (3)-year term and \$300,000; and

WHEREAS, the contracts are crucial for addressing ongoing matters with which LAWA is engaged. Currently, there is insufficient in-house City Attorney staff with the specialized expertise to address the related matters. However, hiring additional in-house staff for the work is impractical as it would not meet the immediate need for counsel with specialized expertise and experience in those matters; and

WHEREAS, the amendments will allow Atkinson and Liebert to continue providing legal advice and related services to LAWA pertaining to labor and employment and conflict counsel. LAWA is expected to remain engaged with those issues, necessitating the services of said firms. The additional funding of \$200,000 for the Atkinson contract is consistent with prior expenditures and will ensure uninterrupted legal support for those critical matters. The City Attorney's Office will continue to provide legal services as well as closely managing the firms' services; and

WHEREAS, funds for the contracts are available in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 LAWA Operating Budget in Cost Center 1110004 – Legal Services, Commitment Item 520 – Contractual Services. Funding for subsequent years will be requested as part of the annual budget process; and

WHEREAS, actions taken on this item by the Board of Airport Commissioners will become final pursuant to the provisions of Los Angeles City Charter Section 373;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Airport Commissioners adopted the staff report; further adopted staff's determination that the requested action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II, Section 2.f of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; approved the First Amendments to both Contract DA-5590 with Atkinson Andelson Loya Ruud & Romo and Contract DA-5591 with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore to extend their respective terms by two (2) years, and add \$200,000 in contract authority to DA-5590, covering legal advice and related services for Los Angeles World Airports; and authorized the Chief Executive Officer to execute said First Amendments to both Contract DA-5590 with Atkinson Andelson Loya Ruud & Romo and Contract DA-5591 with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore subject to approval by the Los Angeles City Council and approval as to form by the City Attorney.

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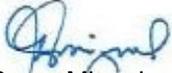
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I hereby certify that this Resolution No. 28250 is true and correct, as adopted by the Board of Airport Commissioners at its Special Meeting held on Thursday, October 16, 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Grace Miguel".

Grace Miguel – Secretary  
BOARD OF AIRPORT COMMISSIONERS