



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney
Hydee Feldstein Soto

REPORT NO. R26 - 0162
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**REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(4)**

REPORT RE:

**PROPOSED LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SUSMAN GODFREY L.L.P. TO
PROVIDE ASSISTANCE CONCERNING A POTENTIAL ACTION THE CITY IS
DECIDING WHETHER TO INITIATE**

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

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9(d)(4), the Office of the City Attorney wishes to meet in closed session to discuss approving the retention of outside counsel — on a contingency fee basis and at no cost to the City — to assist with potential claims the City is deciding whether to initiate.

Recommendation

It is recommended that City Council:

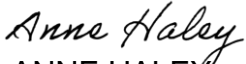
1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to retain the law firm Susman Godfrey LLP to assist, on a contingency fee basis, in potential litigation the City is deciding whether to initiate.

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, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Chief Assistant City Attorney Michael Bostrom at michael.bostrom@lacity.org or 213-978-8100. A member of this Office will be available when you consider this matter to answer any questions that you may have.

Sincerely,

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