



Building A Better Long Beach

Item 3

May 5, 2008

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEMBERS
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and authorize the Executive Director to execute a First Amendment to the Agreement for Legal Services with the Law Offices of Bergman & Alderdice, to increase the contract amount by \$300,000 for an amount not to exceed \$475,000. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

In March 2007, the Redevelopment Agency (Agency) approved an agreement with the Law Offices of Bergman & Alderdice to provide legal services in support of the Agency's activities citywide. Working in association with the Agency's general counsel, the City Attorney's Office, Bergman & Alderdice, and more specifically Mr. Michael Alderdice, provides legal services including advice, consultation, legal research and opinions, negotiating and drafting agreements, and other matters related to project planning and implementation.

Mr. Alderdice has demonstrated the necessary expertise to provide legal services to the Agency, therefore, it is recommended that the Agency amend the contract with Bergman & Alderdice to add an appropriation in the amount of \$300,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$475,000.

All contracts for legal services and rates are negotiated and approved by the City Attorney's Office. Assistant City Attorney Heather Mahood has reviewed and approved this staff report and will prepare the proposed agreement for special legal services.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C. Beck', with a stylized flourish at the end.

CRAIG BECK
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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