



# *CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT*

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MEETING DATE: March 1, 2011

ITEM NUMBER:

**SUBJECT:** AMENDMENT TO CITY ATTORNEY CONTRACT

**DATE:** February 24, 2011

**FROM:** City Attorney's Office

**PRESENTATION BY:** Kimberly Hall Barlow, City Attorney

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kimberly Hall Barlow, 714-754-5399

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the attached amended agreement with Jones & Mayer for City Attorney services.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Kimberly Hall Barlow of Jones & Mayer has been serving as City Attorney since 2004. Due to business and personal commitments, Ms. Barlow has submitted her resignation as City Attorney. Ms. Barlow will continue as a partner at Jones & Mayer and serve as special counsel to the city. She will remain involved in the legal representation of the city. Ms. Barlow has recommended Tom Duarte to serve as City Attorney. Mr. Duarte has been with Jones & Mayer for 15 years and has served as counsel to the planning commission since 2004. Council approval is required for the amendment to the agreement for City Attorney services.

## **ANALYSIS:**

The agreement for City Attorney services between the city and Jones & Mayer remains unchanged. The amendment to the agreement simply addresses the change in the attorney identified as City Attorney. As the firm has done since 2004, Jones & Mayer will continue to diligently represent the city as city attorney.

## **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:**

The Council could choose not to approve the amendment to the agreement, in which case, Kimberly Hall Barlow would remain City Attorney.

## **FISCAL REVIEW:**

There will be no fiscal impact as a result of the amendment to the contract.

## **LEGAL REVIEW:**

The City Attorney has reviewed and approved the agreement as to form.

**CONCLUSION:**

Council is requested to approve the agreement.

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City Manager

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KIMBERLY HALL BARLOW

City Attorney

ATTACHEMENT: [Amended Agreement](#)

DISTRIBUTION: City Manager  
City Attorney  
City Clerk  
Staff

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