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COMPTON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

**03/10/2026
5:30 PM – PUBLIC MEETING**

**205 S. WILLOWBROOK AVE
COMPTON, CA 90220**

OPENING

ROLL CALL

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS

1. LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER PRESENTATION

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA MATTERS

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent items are routine and expected to be non-controversial. They will be acted upon by the Council at one time without discussion unless a Council Member requests an item be removed or discussed.

REGULAR AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

2. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON FINDING CERTAIN FIRMS QUALIFIED TO SERVE AS SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH A FIRM TO SERVE AS SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL

COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: 3/17/2026 5:30:00 PM

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TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON FINDING CERTAIN FIRMS QUALIFIED TO SERVE AS SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH A FIRM TO SERVE AS SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL

SUMMARY

The City Council is requested to adopt a resolution identifying four qualified law firms and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Legal Services Agreement with one of those firms to provide Special Legal Counsel services to the City. The City issued a Request for Qualifications/Proposals (RFQ/P) to solicit qualified law firms capable of providing specialized legal services. Following the evaluation of the submitted qualifications, a pool of qualified firms was identified, and four firms were selected for further consideration. Adoption of the proposed resolution will formally identify those firms and authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Legal Services Agreement with one of them to provide Special Legal Counsel services to the City.

BACKGROUND

The RFQ/P was issued on August 13, 2025. Statements of Qualifications and Proposals were due on September 11, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. (PT). The RFQ/P Open Period extended from August 13, 2025, through September 11, 2025.

The RFQ/P established a Black-Out Period commencing upon the Proposal Deadline and continuing until release of the Intent to Award or cancellation of the procurement, during which communications regarding the RFQ/P were restricted to written exchanges with the Purchasing Officer.

Proposals were received from multiple firms. The Westmoreland Law Firm, P.C., and Aleshire & Wynder, LLP, voluntarily withdrew their proposals. The City Council invited all remaining firms to provide five-minute presentations during regular City Council Meetings held on January 27, 2026, and February 10, 2026. Staff reports that all remaining firms presented except Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo, due to their inability to appear.

Based on the evaluation process, the following firms were determined to be qualified to serve the City as its Special Legal Counsel:

Alvarez-Glasman & Colvin;
Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo;
Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP;
Leal Trejo APC;
Nossaman LLP;
Olivarez Madruga Law Organization, LLP; and
Sanders Roberts LLP.

On March 3, 2026, the City Council determined that the following four firms were selected from the pool of qualified firms for further consideration and potential negotiation of a legal services agreement to provide Special Legal Counsel services to the City:

Leal Trejo APC;
Nossaman LLP;
Olivarez Madruga Law Organization, LLP; and
Sanders Roberts LLP.

DISCUSSION

The RFQ/P contemplates negotiation following evaluation and interviews. This action does not constitute a contract award. Rather, it authorizes negotiation with one or more of the qualified firms.

If a material conflict of interest arises that cannot be adequately mitigated, negotiations may be discontinued and commenced with another one of the firms deemed qualified.

FISCAL IMPACT

There are no immediate fiscal impacts. However, the RFQ/P anticipates a monthly retainer structure with additional hourly rates for services outside the retainer scope. The fiscal impact will be determined following negotiations.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a legal services agreement with one or more of the following firms:

Leal Trejo APC;
Nossaman LLP;
Olivarez Madruga Law Organization, LLP; and
Sanders Roberts LLP

APPROVED FOR FORWARDING:

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WILLIE A HOPKINS, JR.
CITY MANAGER

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON
FINDING CERTAIN FIRMS QUALIFIED TO SERVE AS SPECIAL LEGAL
COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND
EXECUTE A LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH A FIRM TO SERVE AS
SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL**

WHEREAS, the City issued a Request for Qualifications and Proposals (RFQ/P) for Special Legal Counsel Services on August 13, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Statements of Qualifications and Proposals were due on September 11, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. (PT); and

WHEREAS, the RFQ/P established a Black-Out Period commencing upon the Proposal Deadline and continuing until release of the Intent to Award or cancellation; and

WHEREAS, the RFQ/P provides for evaluation and negotiation of a legal services agreement with one or more qualified respondents; and

WHEREAS, the law firms of Aleshire & Wynder, LLP, and The Westmoreland Law Firm, P.C., voluntarily withdrew their proposals.

WHEREAS, based on review of the submitted Statements of Qualifications, the City Council finds the following firms qualified to serve the City of Compton as Special Legal Counsel:

Alvarez-Glasman & Colvin;
Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo (AALRR);
Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP;
Leal Trejo APC;
Nossaman LLP;
Olivarez Madruga Law Organization, LLP; and
Sanders Roberts LLP.

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2026, the City Council, during its regular meeting, selected Leal Trejo APC; Nossaman LLP; Olivarez Madruga Law Organization, LLP; and Sanders Roberts LLP as the firms to be given further consideration in selecting the City of Compton's Special Legal Counsel.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE:**

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct.

Section 2. That the following four firms are selected from the pool of qualified firms for further consideration and potential negotiation of a legal services agreement to provide Special Legal Counsel services to the City:

Leal Trejo APC;
Nossaman LLP;
Olivarez Madruga Law Organization, LLP; and
Sanders Roberts LLP.

Section 3. That the City Manager is authorized to negotiate and execute a legal services agreement with a firm determined in Section 2 of this Resolution to serve as Special Legal Counsel to the City.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Section 5. That a copy of this Resolution shall be filed in the offices of the City Clerk, City Manager, City Controller, and the Law Division/City Attorney.

Section 6. That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this Resolution.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

EMMA SHARIF
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

ATTEST:

SATRA ZURITA
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss
CITY OF COMPTON)

I, Satra Zurita, City Clerk of the City of Compton, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Compton, signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on this _____ day of _____, 2026.

That said Resolution was adopted by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS-
NAYES: COUNCILMEMBERS-
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS-
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS-

SATRA D. ZURITA
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON