



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
(805) 568-2240

Department Name: County Counsel/CEO  
Department No.: 013/012  
For Agenda Of: May 1, 2012  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Tme:  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Dennis Marshall, County Counsel (x2950)  
Renée Bahl, Assistant County Executive Officer (x3400)  
Contact Info: Michael Ghizzoni, Chief Assistant County Counsel (x2950)  
**SUBJECT:** Agreement for Professional Legal Services - David L. Allen, Attorney at Law

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:**

**Recommended Actions:**

Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Professional Legal Services with David L. Allen, Attorney at Law, from May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2013, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

**Summary Text:**

The County is the Successor Agency to the former Santa Barbara County Redevelopment Agency. Cal. Health and Safety Code Section 34179(c) states that the successor agency shall pay for all of the costs of meetings of the oversight board. It is foreseeable that the Oversight Board of the Successor Agency to the former Santa Barbara County Redevelopment Agency will need legal support during their meetings. So that the County of Santa Barbara's Office of County Counsel may avoid any question of a conflict of interest with its legal support of the County of Santa Barbara concerning the same matters, it is recommended that Mr. David L. Allen provide independent legal support to the Oversight Board.

The Agreement for Professional Legal Services provides that Mr. Allen shall ensure that information relating to his legal support of the Oversight Board is protected as required by Business and Professions Code Section 6068(e); this includes his preserving the confidentiality of that information from the Office of County Counsel.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted – Outside Counsel Designation

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**Special Instructions:**

Please forward a copy of the signed Agreement to Renée Bahl, Assistant County Executive Officer.  
Please forward a signed original of the Agreement to Anne Rierson, Deputy County Counsel.

**Attachments:**

Agreement for Professional Legal Services

**Authored by:**

Anne Rierson, Deputy County Counsel