



## Legislation Details (With Text)

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**Title:** SUBJECT: Approval of First Amendment to the Agreement for Legal Services With Sloan, Sakai, Yeung & Wong, LLP for the Not to Exceed Amount of \$85,000

REPORT IN BRIEF  
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B. Authorizing the City Manager or Assistant City Manager to execute the agreement and any necessary documents; and,

C. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make any necessary budget adjustments.

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**Attachments:** 1. First Amendment to Agreement for Legal Services

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
1/22/2019	1	City Council/Public Finance and Economic Development Authority/Parking Authority/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency	approved	Pass

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## **ALTERNATIVES**

- 1. Approve as recommended by staff; or,
- 2. Approve, subject to modifications as conditioned by the City Council; or,
- 3. Refer to staff for reconsideration of specific items; or,
- 4. Deny.

## **AUTHORITY**

City of Merced Charter, section 200.

## **CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES**

Not applicable.

## **DISCUSSION**

In October 2017, the City entered into a legal services agreement with the law firm Renne, Sloan, Holzman and Sakai, Public Law Group for employment related legal services in an amount not to exceed \$30,000. The majority of the services performed were from approximately October 2017 through approximately July 2018. The costs incurred are approaching \$85,000 and exceed the delegated authority of \$30,000 from the City Council. In addition, in May 2017, the firm changed its name to Sloan, Sakai, Yeung & Wong, LLP.

This amendment is necessary to update the firm name and to obtain authorization from the City Council to pay the invoices for services performed that exceeded \$30,000.

## **IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES**

This amendment will be funded by the City Attorney and Police Departments. Funding is available within the fiscal year 2018-19 budget.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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