



# Administrative Report

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**To:** MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

**From:** JOY A. FORD, CITY ATTORNEY      CHERYL PARK, ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY

## **TITLE**

APPROVE AN AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH ANASTASIA PAPADAKIS LAW AND ADD THE LAW FIRM OF ANASTASIA PAPADAKIS LAW TO THE CITY ATTORNEY'S APPROVED LAW FIRM LIST

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The City Attorney's office maintains a list of approved law firms and attorneys for which to select when special expertise is required on legal matters. There is a need for legal services to operate the Homeless Court. If this Agreement for Legal Services is approved, ANASTASIA PAPADAKIS LAW will provide necessary services for the operation of the Homeless Court for the City of Redondo Beach.

## **BACKGROUND**

Anastasia Papadakis was a former Redondo Beach Senior Deputy City Prosecutor. She served the city for nearly twelve years. In her time with the City, she helped develop the Enhanced Response to Homeless Program, which included Homeless Court. She developed the process of getting eligible defendants to the Outdoor Homeless Court to get their cases dismissed when they become permanently housed. She presented this program to various local and national agencies, inspiring other jurisdictions to adopt their own homeless court and response to homelessness. She laid the foundation of homeless court for the city to be later recognized and awarded statewide. In 2022, Ms. Papadakis joined Artiano & Associates, APC. Recently, Ms. Papadakis formed ANASTASIA PAPADAKIS LAW.

## **COORDINATION**

The Agreement for Legal Services has been approved by ANASTASIA PAPADAKIS LAW and the City Attorney's Office.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Legal fees will be funded through grant funding. If grant funding is no longer available, services will be paid for out of the prosecution's budget for attorney fees.

## **SUBMITTED BY:**

*Joy A. Ford, City Attorney*

**ATTACHMENTS**

- Agreement