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**Via E-Mail and U.S. Mail**

Office of the City Attorney  
City of Santa Barbara  
Attn: Sarah Knecht  
740 State Street, Suite 201  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: Legal Services

Dear Sarah:

Pursuant to your request, I am submitting this proposal to provide legal services to the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Santa Barbara Oversight Board ("Board"). I am pleased to submit this proposal and the attached information to you.

As a preliminary matter, Price, Postel & Parma LLP recognizes the need to provide timely, efficient and costs effective legal services to our public agency clients while maintaining our high standard of excellence. As such, we are prepared to offer our reduced public agency hourly rate to the Board. A copy of those rates are attached hereto for your consideration.

Price, Postel & Parma LLP has the distinction of being one of the oldest law firms in California, having been founded in Santa Barbara in the mid-1800s. Currently, there are 23 attorneys with the firm. Our firm is one of the largest law firms in the area and offers our clients the widest range of areas of expertise available.

Price, Postel & Parma LLP has consistently represented public agencies for nearly 100 years. We currently represent as general counsel the Montecito Fire Protection District, Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District, the Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara and the Housing Authority of the County of Santa Barbara.

Price, Postel & Parma LLP also serves as special counsel to numerous public agencies including the County of San Luis Obispo, City of Oxnard, City of Tracy, City of Santa Maria, City of Palmdale, City of San Luis Obispo, East Bay Regional Park District, Regents of the University of California and the Cachuma Operation & Maintenance Board.

In the past, Price, Postel & Parma LLP has represented many other municipalities and special districts.

Mark Manion would serve as legal counsel to the Board. In addition, the firm's other municipal and public agency attorneys would be available to provide backup to Mr. Manion or assist in specialized matters as necessary. Mr. Manion's resume is enclosed.

Mr. Manion would be a natural choice for legal counsel to the Board in light of his experience as a deputy city attorney with the City of Oxnard where Mr. Manion advised the City and its redevelopment agency on legal issues. Mr. Manion has broad experience representing public agencies in general public agency law, including Brown Act, Political Reform Act, real property transactions and municipal finance.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this proposal. We believe that we are well qualified to provide legal services to the Board, and it would be our privilege to do so. We would welcome the opportunity to meet with the Board's representatives at their convenience. Please let us know in the meantime if you desire or require any further information. Thank you.

Very truly yours,



Mark S. Manion  
for PRICE, POSTEL & PARMA LLP

Enclosures

# MARK S. MANION

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Santa Barbara, California 93101  
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**PROFESSIONAL:** PRICE, POSTEL & PARMA LLP October 1999 - present  
Santa Barbara, California  
Partner

Considerable experience providing general public law advice to various special purpose districts, including housing authorities, water districts, sanitary districts, and fire districts. Significant experience representing both public agencies and private land owners in land use and zoning matters before cities and counties. Considerable experience advising public agencies with respect to compliance with federal and state environmental laws, including the California Environmental Quality Act, Clean Water Act and Endangered Species Act. Routinely advise public agencies regarding the requirements of and compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act, Tort Claims Act and the Political Reform Act. Currently serve as general counsel to the following public agencies: Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara; Housing Authority of the County of Santa Barbara; Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District and Montecito Fire Protection District.

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY July 1993 - October 1999  
Oxnard, California  
Deputy City Attorney

Research and preparation of legal memoranda on various issues affecting City operations. Significant exposure to land use matters, including CEQA, Subdivision Map Act, and local zoning regulations. Litigation experience involving land use and zoning compliance, environmental law, including CERCLA and RCRA matters, breach of contract and unlawful detainers for the City Housing Authority. Substantial exposure to administrative law, including drafting administrative hearing procedures, prosecuting administrative complaints on behalf of the City, and advising hearing officers in the preparation of administrative decisions.

**EDUCATION:** Loyola Law School  
Los Angeles, California  
Juris Doctorate, May, 1995  
  
University of California, Los Angeles  
Los Angeles, California  
Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, June, 1991

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:** State Bar of California  
Santa Barbara County Bar Association  
Ventura County Bar Association  
Tri-Counties Local Government Attorneys' Association, Past President  
American Lung Association of Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties, Board of Directors, Past President  
Casa Esperanza Homeless Center, Board of Directors, Secretary  
Santa Barbara Boys & Girls Club, Vice-President

**PUBLICATIONS:** The California Municipal Law Handbook, League of California Cities - Contributing Author

**PERSONAL:** Golf, reading, softball, basketball, waterskiing

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