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Council Meeting Date:                      2/7/2005	Department ID Number:                      05-02

**CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH  
REQUEST FOR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ACTION**

**SUBMITTED TO:** HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

**SUBMITTED BY:** JENNIFER McGRATH, AGENCY COUNSEL  
DAVID C. BIGGS, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**PREPARED BY:** JENNIFER McGRATH, AGENCY COUNSEL

**SUBJECT:** APPROVE CONTRACT FOR KANE, BALLMER & BERKMAN AND BEST, BEST & KRIEGER FOR REDEVELOPMENT LEGAL SERVICES

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**Statement of Issue, Funding Source, Recommended Action, Alternative Action(s), Analysis, Environmental Status, Attachment(s)**

**Statement of Issue:** Whether to approve the contracts between the Redevelopment Agency of the City Huntington Beach and Kane, Ballmer & Berkman and Best, Best & Krieger for redevelopment legal services.

**Funding Source:** Redevelopment General Fund, Professional Legal Services, Account # 30515101.69375.

**Recommended Action:**

1. Approve the Contract with Kane, Ballmer & Berkman for redevelopment services; and authorize the Chairman and the Agency Clerk to execute the agreement.
2. Approve the Contract with Best, Best & Krieger for redevelopment services; and authorize the Chairman and the Agency Clerk to execute the agreement.

**Alternative Action(s):** Do not approve the contracts and hire different counsel.

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# REQUEST FOR ACTION

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**Analysis:** The Agency Counsel recommends employing the law firms of Kane, Ballmer & Berkman and Best, Best & Krieger to provide legal services on an as needed basis for advice concerning compliance with the California Community Redevelopment Law and negotiations of Dispositions and Development Agreements, Owner Participation Agreements and the like.

For over nine years, Kane, Ballmer & Berkman has effectively worked with Agency Counsel's office. During that time, they have established positive and productive relationships with Agency Counsel's staff on numerous projects such as the Waterfront Project, the Huntington Center Project and the Huntington Beach Redevelopment Plan Amendment/Merger.

Best, Best & Krieger have provided redevelopment legal services in an efficient and cost-effective manner while working closely with Agency Counsel's staff on Low and Moderate Income Housing issues. Most recently, Best, Best & Krieger worked with Huntington Beach's Economic Development Department staff with the formation of community facilities districts that support the economic development in the City's downtown and tourist areas.

**Environmental Status:** Not applicable.

**Attachment(s):**

City Clerk's Page Number	No.	Description
3	1.	Professional Services Contract between the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Huntington Beach and Kane, Ballmer & Berkman
52	2.	Professional Services Contract between the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Huntington Beach and Best, Best & Krieger

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\* ON FILE IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

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**ATTACHMENT #1**

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**EXHIBIT #B**