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SAN DIEGO CITY ATTORNEY

DATE:

September 5, 2013

TO:

Kevin Faulconer, Audit Committee Chair

FROM:

City Attorney

SUBJECT:

Investigation into Financial and Property Related Issues

As you know, during the past several months investigators in our office have reviewed a number of issues concerning former Mayor Bob Filner. In the course of those investigations, we discovered evidence concerning possible misuse of city funds concerning credit cards, travel policies and other matters. On August 14, 2013, our office issued a Memorandum of Law in which we concluded: "Under Section 108, every City officer who willfully approves or allows an unauthorized payment from the City treasury is subject to removal from office. The Mayor is an "officer" under the Charter."

Upon the resignation of former Mayor Filner, our office temporarily suspended the investigations pending discussion with the Audit Committee and Independent City Auditor. Since the suspension of the investigations, we have received additional information that should be pursued.

It is my understanding that you and I will jointly recommend to the Audit Committee that it direct the Independent Auditor to complete the investigation into financial and property related issues involving the former mayor with assistance from our office. I have spoken with Eduardo Luna who indicated that his office is willing to lead this effort.

Our office looks forward to working with the Independent Auditor and the Audit Committee to ensure that funds and property are accounted for.

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(Via Electronic Transmission)

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Members of the Audit Committee

Eduardo Luna, Independent City Auditor Carrie Gleeson, Deputy City Attorney