



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 09/01/2026

ITEM NO: 8

ADDENDUM 2

DATE: August 31, 2026
TO: Mayor and Town Council
FROM: Chris Constantin, Town Manager
SUBJECT: **Authorize the Town Manager to Execute a Consultant Agreement for Executive Recruitment Services with Bob Murray & Associates in an Amount Not to Exceed \$29,900.**

Remarks:

Attachment one contains public comments received before 3:00 p.m. on Monday, August 31, 2026.

Previously Received with the September 1, 2026, Staff Report:

1. Agreement for Consultant Services – Bob Murray & Associates
2. Exhibit A – Scope of Services

Attachments received with this addendum:

3. Public comments received before 3:00 p.m. on Monday, August 31, 2026.

Public Comment Item #8 for 9/1/26 Town Hall meeting @7pm

From Gus Who [REDACTED]
Date Mon 8/31/2026 12:44 PM
To Clerk <Clerk@losgatosca.gov>

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

To whom it may concern,

Re: Town Attorney- Consultant?? (Agenda Item #8)
FOR \$29,900

What the Heck? This is the highest paying town position in this Cat in a Hat Town! Los Gatos is in the top 50 cities or towns in the nation for highest paying cities and it is a Town.

To have an outside "CONSULTANT" (Firm) pick the next Town Attorney should be considered a crime, I'd rather Zoom talk with Kansas as a member of the public to discuss Beach Traffic or Street Safety that we should prioritize.

This town owe it to ourselves to redefine the obvious direction we face as a community. The obvious events that unfolded that lead the current Town Attorney to resign need to be internally identified by trusted members of our public and addressed.

Is this statement True? ... **"Town Council has directed staff to conduct an executive recruitment for a new Town Attorney with the assistance of an executive recruiting firm"** ... REALLY was this done in secret, as I don't recall seeing at a meeting that Town COUNCIL... GO HIRE AN OUTSIDE CONSULTANT FIRM... was this only one member of Town Council in private saying this?

As the WEEKLY TIMES reported Aug 21, 2026 in Community briefs an article titled, "Town Attorney to Retire" and that, "Two Town Council subcommittees began working on identifying options for finding the next town attorney, according to Moore's newsletter."

Last time I checked I believe the town has a HUMAN RESOURCES Department that gets paid for this job. No recruitment needed, as the word is out and a very small add has to be placed in the paper. We don't need a nation wide search for D.B. Cooper, Chief. He not in Vancouver.

So then it becomes who sizes up the Candidates. I've been to enough committee meetings that, those that Chair such committees could weigh in and whittle down candidates for starters, or at least have committees select a member to represent them in this process. This should be an internal process, not external.

Ultimately the next Town Council will have to select who they want to represent the town legally. It doesn't have to be an attorney, as a deputy attorney could be a staff member that can sign legal documents under the new Town Attorney, as this person should be our next "Spock." You know someone that knows how to C-3PO with others, or our two... beep, beep.

This is not a position that you want to rush to fill, as a Town Hall discussion is needed of reshaping and correcting our towns coarse given the circumstances that we all face in this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Sent on McKite
Benji Franklin

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