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**TO:** CRA Board of Commissioners  
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**DATE:** March 18, 2021

**CRA LEGAL SERVICES**

**Recommended Action:**

- 1) Approval of authorization to hire outside counsel for litigation, as needed;
- 2) Approval of authorization CRA Board Chair to execute all documents for said purpose; and
- 3) Approval of authorization of the disbursement of funds for said purpose.

**Background:**

The legal services are necessary to provide litigation defense to the CRA in a pending lawsuit against the CRA. The CRA staff has made a very diligent effort to hire an experienced litigation law firm to provide specialized legal services in the pending lawsuit.

Consistent with section 163.356(3)(c), Florida Statutes states that “[f]or such legal services as it requires, an agency may employ or retain its own counsel and legal staff.”

At this time, before the CRA Board is a motion approving hiring outside counsel for litigation, as needed; further authorizing the CRA Board Chair to execute all documents for said purpose; and authorizing the disbursement of funds for said purpose.