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**COTA COLE ATTORNEY IS SELECTED AS GENERAL COUNSEL  
FOR NEWLY FORMED FIVE CITIES FIRE AUTHORITY**

After a couple of years of planning and organizational efforts, the Cities of Grover Beach and Arroyo Grande, along with the Oceano Community Services District, approved a Joint Powers Authority Agreement which created the Five Cities Fire Authority. The new agency will more efficiently provide fire protection services to the three jurisdictions located in southern San Luis Obispo County.

The first meeting of the Authority's Board took place on July 9, 2010, at the South County Regional Center. Mr. Martin D. Koczanowicz from our firm has been selected to serve as the General Counsel for the newly formed organization. Cota Cole looks forward to assisting the Five Cities Fire Authority staff through the maze of opportunities and challenges that are attendant to creating and operating a new governmental entity.

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