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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: JIM RYDINGSWORD, Human Services Director
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board *MW*
SUBJECT: Items pulled from Consent Agenda

RES. 12-197

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on April 24, 2012

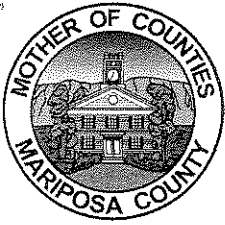
ACTION AND VOTE:

Chair Bibby
~~She~~ advised that action on item CA 2/Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with John LaLonde includes ratification of the original term of the agreement;

CA2. Human Services RES-2012-197

Approve an Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with John LaLonde to Provide Legal Services, and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Amendment; Approve Budget Action Transferring Funds Within the Social Services Budget to Cover the Amendment (\$6,000)

Cc: Bill Davis, Auditor
File



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RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2012-197

MEETING: April 24, 2012
 TO: The Board of Supervisors
 FROM: Jim Rydingsword, Human Services Director
 RE: LaLonde,J -PSA Amendment

*Res 12-197
w/mo*

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION: Approve an Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with John LaLonde to Provide Legal Services, and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Amendment; Approve Budget Action Transferring Funds within the Social Services budget to cover the Amendment (\$6,000)

It is the goal of Child Welfare to work with families to prevent removal. However, in cases of abandonment, imminent danger and/or sexual molest, there is a need to remove children from the adults who are abusing them. Such action requires that we bring the matter before the Juvenile Court. Three separate court proceedings (detention, jurisdiction and disposition) are involved. Everyone in Court is represented by counsel, including the child and the parents. The Department must be legally represented to be able to act in the best interest of the child and to do so in a manner that is lawful and prevents civil litigation to the greatest extent possible. The laws surrounding Child Welfare are complex. It is difficult for most counties to find quality legal representation.

John LaLonde can also provide paralegal services for the Public Guardian/Conservatorship function currently housed in the Behavioral Health Division of Human Services. He has the expertise to support our staff in accurately preparing documents for the court.

The original agreement amount was not to exceed \$10,000 and did not require Board approval. It has become necessary to increase the original agreement amount \$6,000 to meet the services provided. The Budget Action Form reflects a transfer of funds in the amount of \$6,000 from the Legal Secretary line item to Professional Services line item. There is no impact to general fund dollars.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS: A Professional Service Agreement with John LaLonde to provide legal services for the Human Services Department was approved and signed by County Counsel and Rick Benson, County Administrative Officer on April 6, 2011. This service was provided by others in the past and is a vital component of department services.

Resolution - Action Requested 2012-197

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION: Do not approve the Amendment or the budget action. The department will not have access to legal representation or legal expertise for child welfare cases.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Transfer from account 001-0501-661-0184 (Legal Secretary) in the amount of \$6,000.00; and Transfer to account 001-0501-661-0418 (Professional Services) in the amount of \$6,000.00

Amount in Budget: \$16,000 List Attachments, number pages consecutively

Additional Funding Needed: \$ Amendment, Pages 1-2

Source: Original PSA, Pages 3-10

Internal Transfer Budget Action Form, Page 11

Unanticipated Revenue 4/5's vote

Transfer Between Funds 4/5's vote

Contingency 4/5's vote

() General () Other

04/24/12 001-0501-661-0418 · Professional Services \$6,000.00

04/24/12 001-0501-661-0184 · Legal Secretary (\$6,000.00)

Total: \$0.00

ATTACHMENTS:

LaLonde, J. Budget Action Form (PDF)

LaLonde Original Contract April 5, 2011 (PDF)

LaLonde Contract Amendment (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Requested Action Recommended


Rick Benson, County Administrative Officer

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Jim Allen, District V Supervisor

SECONDER: Lyle Turpin, District II Supervisor

AYES: Stetson, Turpin, Bibby, Cann, Allen

BUDGET ACTION FORM

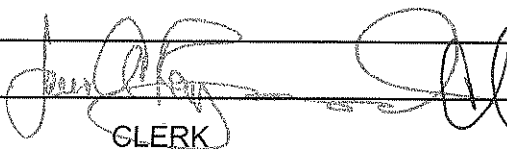
FUND	DEP/DIV	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	PROJECT	INCREASE	DECREASE
001	0501	661.0184	Legal Secretary			6,000
001	0501	661.0418	Professional Services		6,000	
TOTALS					6,000	6,000

TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS	DEBIT	CREDIT
TOTALS		

ACTION REQUESTED: (Check all that apply)

- () Budget appropriation by Board of Supervisors (4/5ths Vote Required): Amending the total amount available in the county budget, or in any one fund of the budget , or transferring appropriation from Contingencies
- (X) Transfer by Board of Supervisors (3/5ths Vote Required): Moving existing appropriations from one budget to another, or between categories within a budget unit;

JUSTIFICATION Salary savings used to fund increase in legal counsel contract.

DEPT HEAD SIGNATURE		DATE	4/4/2012
APPROVED BY RES NO.	CLERK	DATE	

DEPARTMENT Human Services	AUDITOR'S USE ONLY BA #
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