

Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Foley & Lardner specialize in healthcare law providing advice, in consultation with the office of County Counsel, on a variety of healthcare-related issues. The firm's expertise assists the County of Monterey, on the Health Department's behalf, in matters of public healthcare law, including Medi-Cal funding, Medicaid financing for safety net providers, healthcare transactions, provider agreements, technology, privacy and security matters of significant importance to the Health Department.

This work supports the Monterey County Health Department 2018-2022 Strategic Plan Goal: 4. Engage MCHD workforce to improve operational functions to meet current and developing population health needs. It also supports two of the ten essential public health services, specifically: 5. Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts, and 6. Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of County Counsel and Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved as to legal form and fiscal provisions, respectively.

FINANCING:

Appropriations for this agreement are included in the Health Department's FY 2023-24 Adopted Budgets for the Administration, Behavioral Health, and Clinic Services Bureaus (001-4000-8438-HEA014, 023-4000-8410-HEA012, and 001-4000-8591-HEA007 respectively). For the FYs out, provisions will be made in the Requested Budget for the appropriate year.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES: Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

Economic Development:

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• Through collaboration, strengthen economic development to ensure a diversified and healthy economy. □Administration:

• Promote an organization that practices efficient and effective resource management and is recognized for responsiveness, strong customer orientation, accountability and transparency.

Health & Human Services:

• Improve health and quality of life through County supported policies, programs, and services; promoting access to equitable opportunities for healthy choices and healthy environments in collaboration with communities.

□Infrastructure:

• Plan and develop a sustainable, physical infrastructure that improves the quality of life for County residents and supports economic development results.

□Public Safety:

• Create a safe environment for people to achieve their potential, leading businesses and communities to thrive and grow by reducing violent crimes as well as crimes in general.

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Approved by:

_____Date:_____ Elsa Mendoza Jimenez, Director of Health, 755-4526

Attachments: Board Order Amendment No 6 Board Order (Amd. No. 5) Amendment No 5 Board Order (Amd. No. 4) Amendment No 4 Board Order (Amd. No. 3) Amendment No 3 Amendment No 2 Board Order (Original Agreement) Amendment No 1 Agreement