



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
(805) 568-2240

**Department Name:** County Counsel  
**Department No.:** 013  
**For Agenda Of:** February 13, 2024  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

---

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** County Counsel  
Director Rachel Van Mullem 805-568-2950  
Contact Info: Anne Rierson 805-568-2950

**SUBJECT:** Outside Counsel Contract - Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth

---

**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence: Risk Management**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:** That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, ratify and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Professional Legal Services with Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, A Professional Corporation, with a not-to-exceed amount of \$25,000.00 and a term ending January 31, 2025; and
- b) Determine that the above actions are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines, because they consist of administrative activities of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

**Summary Text:**

This outside counsel contract is for the firm of Stradling, Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, to serve as ongoing disclosure counsel to the County. The attorney primarily responsible for performing the legal services is Kevin Civale, who also served as disclosure counsel for the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project financing.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Key Contract Risks:** None

**Special Instructions:**

Please forward the minute order and a signed copy to Tyler Sprague in County Counsel.

**Attachments:**

A) Agreement for Professional Legal Services

**Authored by:**

Anne Rierson, Sr. Deputy County Counsel