



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
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**Department Name:** County Counsel  
**Department No.:** 013  
**For Agenda Of:** May 7, 2024  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

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

**SUBJECT:** Amendment No. 1 to Outside Counsel Contract - Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth

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**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 Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Professional Legal Services with an effective date of September 25, 2023 with Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, A Professional Corporation, increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$7,500 to \$57,500; 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:**

The firm of Stradling, Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation serves as disclosure counsel in connection with the proposed issuance of the 2024 Certificates of Participation (COPs) to finance certain capital projects. The attorney primarily responsible for performing the legal services is Kevin Civale. The financing is taking more time than initially expected and is requiring additional work by the firm. The proposed Amendment No. 1 increases the contract's not-to-exceed amount by \$7,500 to \$57,500, to compensate the firm for this additional work. Payment is contingent on issuance and closing of the COPs.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Costs will be paid from the proceeds of the financing and are budgeted as part of the financing.

**Key Contract Risks:**

None

**Special Instructions:**

Please forward the minute order and a signed copy to Anne Rierson in County Counsel.

**Attachments:**

- A) Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Professional Legal Services
- B) Agreement for Professional Legal Services

**Authored by:**

Anne Rierson, Sr. Deputy County Counsel