



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Health
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: November 28, 2023
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Mouhanad Hammami, Director
Director(s) Public Health Department
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Primary Care and Family Health
SUBJECT: Second Amendment Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services Agreement

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors consider the following:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Second Amendment to the Agreement with Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services to increase the amount by \$650,000 for substitute and temporary health care personnel professional services for a revised total Agreement amount not to exceed \$1,450,000 without a change to the period of performance of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024; and,
- b) Approve and authorize the Public Health Director, or designee, to continue to: (1) sign Assignment Confirmation Letters or Placement Orders in accordance with Section B, Exhibit A in the Agreement; (2) add positions and/or approve rate changes not to exceed 10% of the rate currently stated in Exhibit B-1, subject to the procedures set forth in Exhibit B, Section B; and (3) make immaterial changes to the agreement so long as the total Agreement maximum is unchanged, subject to the Board's ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time; and,
- c) Determine that the proposed actions do not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines, because they consist of the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to authorize the Chair to execute the Second Amendment to the Agreement (Attachment A) with Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services for substitute and temporary health care personnel, including Physical Therapists and Occupational Therapists for the California Children Services (CCS) Medical Therapy Units, as well as Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA), Phlebotomist, Licensed Vocational Nurses, Registered Nurses, and Clinical Lab Scientists due to delays and challenges in filling the existing vacancies across the Public Health Department's divisions. While there are ongoing efforts to recruit and hire qualified candidates to fill vacant positions, there have been delays due to an evolving job market and competition for talent.

The original executed Agreement had a term of June 28, 2022 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024 and a total amount not to exceed of \$250,000. Effective February 27, 2023, a First Amendment to the Agreement increased the total amount by \$550,000 for a revised total of \$800,000, without a change to the period of performance. The Public Health Department (PHD) is requesting the Board approve a Second Amendment to increase the amount by \$650,000 for a revised total not to exceed \$1,450,000. Approval of this Second Amendment will ensure the PHD has health care personnel to ensure continuity of patient care and other vital community services while recruitment and placement of qualified candidates occurs.

Background:

PHD operates five health care centers, three shelter-based clinics, and three draw stations throughout Santa Barbara County to provide medical services to the uninsured and underinsured members of our communities. The PHD has experienced difficulties in filling existing vacancies due to an evolving job market and competition for talent.

The contracted services do not replace employee positions but serve as fill-ins on a temporary basis during the recruitment process.

This original agreement was not the result of a competitive bidding process because PHD is open to negotiating and working with any vendor that is able to provide qualified professionals that meet the department's needs.

Performance Measure:

The qualified professionals who provide services through our Maxim Healthcare Staffing agreement are expected to comply with Santa Barbara County Public Health Department's policies and procedures and are provided appropriate supervision to ensure compliance.

Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes:

PHD has had continuous services with Maxim HealthCare Staffing Services and they have provided excellent temporary healthcare personnel staffing for PHD's Health Care Centers.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

The increase of \$650,000 to the Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services Agreement will be funded with \$220,000 from CenCal's Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program agreement and savings of \$430,000 from other budgeted staffing service contracts that are not being fully utilized.

Key Contract Risks:

This Second Amendment and the Agreement are low risk as the Agreement has a termination for convenience clause and authorizes the County to dismiss any Professional for any reason helping to further reduce risk.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

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FTEs:

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There are no staffing impacts.

Special Instructions:

Please execute two (2) original Agreements with Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services and retain one (1) original Amendment and one (1) Minute Order for pick up by the department. Please email the PHD Contracts Unit at MFitzwilliamFigueroa@sbcphd.org when available for pick up.

Attachments:

- A. Second Amendment Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services Agreement
- B. First Amendment Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services Agreement
- C. Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services Agreement

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