



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Behavioral Wellness
Department No.: 043
For Agenda Of: May 14, 2019
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Alice Gleghorn, PhD, Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness, 805-681-5220
Contact Info: Dr. Ole Behrendtsen, Medical Director
Behavioral Wellness, 681-5220
**SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness Staffing Contract – Barton & Associates, Inc. FY 18-19
First Amendment and extension into FY 19-20**

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:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a First Amendment to the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with **Barton & Associates, Inc.**, a Delaware corporation, d.b.a. Barton Medical, Inc. (not a local vendor), for the provision of locum tenens psychiatry, nursing, and physician assistant services to add new provisions, increase the Agreement by \$770,000 for FY 18-19, and extend the term of the Agreement into FY 19-20 for \$2,019,800 for a total contract maximum not to exceed \$4,289,800 for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020;
- B. Approve and authorize the Behavioral Wellness Director to amend Exhibit A (Statement of Work) and Exhibit B-1 (Schedule of Fees) of the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Barton & Associates, Inc. to approve rate changes not to exceed 10% of the rate currently in Exhibit B-1, subject to the procedures set forth in Exhibit B, Section 2, and to make other immaterial changes to the Agreement, without returning to the Board with a separate amendment, so long as the total contract maximum is unchanged and subject to the Board's ability to rescind delegation at any time; and
- C. Determine that the above actions are government fiscal activities or funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in potentially physical impact on the environment, and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA guidelines.

Summary Text:

This item is on the Agenda to request authorization to amend the Agreement for Services with Barton & Associates, Inc. to increase the Agreement by \$770,000 for FY18-19, to extend the term of the Agreement into Fiscal Year 19-20 for \$2,019,800 for a total contract maximum not to exceed \$4,289,800 for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020, and to request authorization for the Behavioral Wellness Director to amend Exhibit A and Exhibit B-1 to add hourly positions and approve rate changes not exceeding 10% as needed, and make other immaterial changes to the Agreement, subject to the Board’s ability to rescind this delegation at any time.

Approval of the recommended actions will allow Behavioral Wellness to continue to provide mandated and much needed psychiatry, physician assistant, and nursing services in Santa Barbara County without disruption to services.

Background:

The Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness provides a continuum of mental health and substance use disorder services to Santa Barbara County residents, including psychiatric and nursing services at its County facilities. Behavioral Wellness currently uses locum tenens staffing agencies to fill ongoing needs for psychiatric staff at outpatient facilities. **Barton & Associates** provides temporary psychiatrists, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners to Behavioral Wellness clinics and at other Behavioral Wellness programs as needed.

Performance Outcomes

We are currently utilizing seven (7) professionals consisting of Nurse Practitioners, Psychiatric Nurses and a Psychiatrist. They are providing services throughout the County, through various programs ranging from adult to children’s services to Mobile Crisis and the ACT program. To date, for FY 18-19, Behavioral Wellness has utilized eleven (11) professionals from Barton & Associates.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 18-19</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>Total FY 18-20</u>
General Fund			
State	\$ 1,135,000.00	\$ 1,009,900.00	
Federal	\$ 1,135,000.00	\$ 1,009,900.00	
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 2,270,000.00	\$ 2,019,800.00	\$ 4,289,800.00

Narrative: The above referenced contracts are funded by State and Federal funds. The funding sources are included in the FY 2018-2019 Adopted Budget and the FY 2019-2020 Proposed Budget.

Key Contract Risks:

With any contractor providing temporary staffing services, there is a risk that temporary personnel will make errors, engage in misconduct, or be negligent in performance of assigned duties. Negotiations with Barton resulted in changes to the County’s Standard Terms and Conditions, Section 19 Termination. The adaption allows Behavioral Wellness to terminate individual temporary staff with or without cause and requires that the agency provide Professional Liability insurance for temporary personnel. . Only a minimal risk is involved. In addition, negotiations with Barton resulted in changes to the standard Exhibit

C Indemnification and Insurance Requirements. Risks associated with the negotiated changes have been mitigated with input from the appropriate departments.

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) Minute Order and one (1) complete copy of each of the above contracts to dmorales@co.santa-barbara.ca.us and one (1) to bwellcontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Barton & Associates FY 18-20 BC AM1

Attachment B: Barton & Associates FY 18-19 BC 18-216 Executed

Authored by:

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