

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: Placement: February 16, 2010 Administrative

Estimated Tme:

Continued Item:

No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required:

4/5 Vote Required

TO:

Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Department

Director:

Dennis A. Marshall, County Counsel

Contact Info:

Michael R. Ledbetter, 568-2950

Deputy County Counsel

SUBJECT:

Enter into New Contract with Outside Counsel regarding UCSB Long Range

Development Plan EIR

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

N/A

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions: County Counsel recommends that the Board of Supervisors authorize the Chair to execute the attached Agreement for Professional Legal Services between the County and the Law Offices of Stephan C. Volker, specifying a not-to-exceed amount for services of \$100,000, supporting County's negotiations about and related matters associated with UCSB's proposed Long Range Development Plan. Services under this agreement will be completed by January 1, 2012, unless otherwise directed.

Summary Text:

UCSB's proposed Long Range Development Plan ("LRDP") contains community and financial impacts which will require new infrastructure and service. Providing for the requirements of the proposed expansion will cost the County millions of dollars. County and UCSB have conducted a series of negotiations over the adequacy of the EIR supporting the LRDP. To date, no agreement has been reached regarding funding of these costs. The EIR supporting the LRDP fails to adequately identify impacts and mitigations and understates the financial impact on the County. The EIR is subject to legal challenge on that basis. Attorney Volker has the experience and specialized expertise required to advise and assist the County in negotiations, and litigate the sufficiency of the EIR prepared by the UC Regents

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if necessary. We recommend retaining him for consultation and potential litigation in the event negotiations fail to yield a mutually acceptable outcome.

This proposed Board Agreement between the County and the Law Offices of Stephan C. Volker provides that Attorney Volker will (1) serve as specialized outside counsel in matters concerning UCSB, (2) assist in negotiations with the Regents concerning the UCSB Long Range Development Plan ("LRDP"), including matters pertaining to environmental review and permit issuance, and (3) represent the County in litigation, if such litigation is deemed necessary by your Board, to seek adequate mitigation of the effects of the LRDP. We recommend that your Board authorize an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000 to fund anticipated litigation expenses.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis: The \$100,000 cost will be funded by the County Counsel Litigation Designation Fund; Department 013, Fund 0001, Account 7650, Program 1000.

Staffing Impacts:

Contracting for outside counsel will obtain the specialized legal services needed in this matter.

Attachments:

Legal Services Agreement

Authored by:

Michael R. Ledbetter, Deputy County Counsel

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AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT (hereafter Agreement) is made by and between SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of California, (hereafter "COUNTY") and LAW OFFICES OF STEPHAN C. VOLKER, having its principal place of business at 436 14th Street, Suite 1300, Oakland, California 94612-2717 (hereafter "ATTORNEY") wherein ATTORNEY agrees to provide and County agrees to accept the services specified herein.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, COUNTY requires advice and representation by private legal counsel in the matter of the adoption of the "2025 Long Range Development Plan" and certification of the required Environmental Impact Report (hereinafter "LRDP") proposed by the University of California, Santa Barbara campus; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY's Board of Supervisors, is empowered to contract for special legal services and;

WHEREAS, ATTORNEY represents that it is specially trained, skilled, experienced, and competent to perform the above-described legal services required by the COUNTY and the COUNTY desires to retain the services of ATTORNEY pursuant to the terms, covenants, and conditions hereinafter set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. **DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE.** Senior Deputy County Counsel Michael R. Ledbetter at phone number 805-568-2969 is the representative of COUNTY and will administer this Agreement for and on behalf of COUNTY. Stephan C. Volker at phone number (510) 496-0600 is the authorized representative for ATTORNEY. Changes in designated representatives shall be made only after advance written notice to the other party.
- 2. **NOTICES.** Any notice or consent required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be given to the respective parties in writing, by first class mail, postage prepaid, or otherwise delivered as agreed upon by the parties, as follows:

To COUNTY: Office of County Counsel

Michael R. Ledbetter, Deputy County of Santa Barbara

105 East Anapamu Street, #201 Santa Barbara, California, 93101

To ATTORNEY: Stephan C. Volker

LAW OFFICES OF STEPHAN C. VOLKER

436 14TH Street, Suite 1300 Oakland, California 94612-2717

or at such other address or to such other person that the parties may from time to time designate in writing. Notices and consents under this section, which are sent by mail, shall be deemed to be received five (5) days following their deposit in the U.S. mail. This Notices section shall not be construed as meaning that either party agrees to service of process except as required by applicable law.

- 3. **SCOPE OF SERVICES.** ATTORNEY agrees to provide services to COUNTY in accordance with EXHIBIT A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- 4. <u>TERM.</u> ATTORNEY shall commence performance upon execution of this agreement by both parties and end performance upon completion of services, but no later than January 1, 2012 unless otherwise directed by COUNTY. This contract may be earlier terminated by COUNTY or ATTORNEY as provided herein.
- 5. **COMPENSATION OF ATTORNEY.** In full consideration for ATTORNEY's services, ATTORNEY shall be paid for performance under this Agreement in accordance with the terms of EXHIBIT B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Billing shall be made by invoice, which shall include the contract number assigned by COUNTY and which is delivered to the address given in Section 2 NOTICES., above, following completion of the increments identified on EXHIBIT B. Unless otherwise specified on EXHIBIT B, payment shall be net thirty (30) days from presentation of invoice.
- 6. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR. It is mutually understood and agreed that ATTORNEY, (including any and all of its officers, agents, and employees), shall perform all of its services under this Agreement as an independent contractor as to COUNTY and not as an officer, agent, servant, employee, joint venturer, partner, or associate of COUNTY. Furthermore, COUNTY shall have no right to control, supervise, or direct the manner or method by which ATTORNEY shall perform its work and function. However, COUNTY shall retain the right to administer this Agreement so as to verify that ATTORNEY is performing its obligations in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof. ATTORNEY understands and acknowledges that it shall not be entitled to any of the benefits of a COUNTY employee, including but not limited to vacation, sick leave, administrative leave, health insurance, disability insurance, retirement, unemployment insurance, workers' compensation and protection of tenure. ATTORNEY shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees all legally-required employee benefits. In addition, ATTORNEY shall be solely responsible and save COUNTY harmless from all matters relating to payment of ATTORNEY's employees, including compliance with Social Security withholding and all other regulations governing such matters. It is acknowledged that during the term of this Agreement, ATTORNEY may be providing services to others unrelated to the COUNTY or to this Agreement.
- 7. **STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE.** ATTORNEY represents that it has the skills, expertise, and licenses/permits necessary to perform the services required under this Agreement. Accordingly, ATTORNEY shall perform all such services in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the same profession in which ATTORNEY is engaged. All products of whatsoever nature, which ATTORNEY delivers to COUNTY pursuant to this Agreement, shall be prepared in a first class and workmanlike manner and shall conform to the standards of quality normally observed by a person practicing in ATTORNEY's profession. ATTORNEY shall correct or revise any errors or omissions, at COUNTY'S request without additional compensation. Permits and/or licenses shall be obtained and maintained by ATTORNEY without additional compensation.
- 8. <u>DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION.</u> ATTORNEY certifies to COUNTY that it and its employees and principals are not debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for, participation in federal, state or county government contracts. ATTORNEY certifies that it shall not contract with a subcontractor that is so debarred or suspended.
- 9. <u>TAXES.</u> ATTORNEY shall pay all taxes, levies, duties, and assessments of every nature due in connection with any work under this Agreement and shall make any and all payroll deductions required by law. COUNTY shall not be responsible for paying any taxes on ATTORNEY's behalf, and should COUNTY be required to do so by state, federal, or local taxing agencies, ATTORNEY agrees to promptly reimburse COUNTY for the full value of such paid taxes plus interest and penalty, if any. These taxes shall include, but not be limited to, the following: FICA (Social Security), unemployment insurance contributions, income tax, disability insurance, and workers' compensation insurance.

10. <u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u>. COUNTY acknowledges that ATTORNEY is a for-profit law firm with specialties in legal and governmental services and certain types of litigation. COUNTY understands that ATTORNEY represents many clients whose general government or political objectives and philosophies are, or may in the future be, contrary to COUNTY'S. Furthermore, COUNTY does not object to ATTORNEY advising and/or defending and/or assisting them in such matters. ATTORNEY shall not represent clients alleging that COUNTY, its Board of Supervisors, or other COUNTY officials have violated any laws or committed any acts of negligence or malfeasance.

COUNTY acknowledges that except as provided above, by entering this contract, ATTORNEY is not prevented from providing legal services to clients in Santa Barbara County or elsewhere whose interests may be adverse to the COUNTY, however, except as provided below. Should ATTORNEY become aware that ATTORNEY will undertake any representation potentially or actually adverse to the interests of the COUNTY, on a matter unrelated to the scope of this contract, then ATTORNEY will immediately notify the COUNTY. ATTORNEY will not disclose any non-public information obtained through its representation of COUNTY to other clients of ATTORNEY.

ATTORNEY covenants that ATTORNEY presently has no employment or interest and shall not acquire any employment or interest, direct or indirect, including any interest in any business, property, or source of income, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required to be performed under this Agreement. ATTORNEY further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed by ATTORNEY. ATTORNEY has conducted a conflicts evaluation and has discovered no potential conflicts, other than those disclosed to COUNTY prior to this Agreement. ATTORNEY shall inform COUNTY immediately of any potential ethical issues or conflicts that may arise in the course of ATTORNEY's representation of the COUNTY in this matter or at any time in the future, as soon as such an issue or conflict becomes known. COUNTY retains the right to waive a conflict of interest disclosed by ATTORNEY if COUNTY determines it to be immaterial, and such waiver is only effective if provided by COUNTY to ATTORNEY in writing.

- 11. **EXPERTS/CONSULTANTS.** ATTORNEY shall get COUNTY's approval prior to retaining any expert, consultant or outside attorney to assist with any matter covered by this Agreement.
- 12. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY. COUNTY shall be the owner of the following items incidental to this Agreement upon production, whether or not completed: all data collected, all documents of any type whatsoever, all photos, designs, sound or audiovisual recordings, software code, inventions, technologies, and other materials, and any material necessary for the practical use of such items, from the time of collection and/or production whether or not performance under this Agreement is completed or terminated prior to completion. ATTORNEY shall not release any of such items to other parties except after prior written approval of COUNTY. Unless otherwise specified in Exhibit A, ATTORNEY hereby assigns to COUNTY all copyright, patent, and other intellectual property and proprietary rights to all data, documents, reports, photos, designs, sound or audiovisual recordings, software code, inventions, technologies, and other materials prepared or provided by ATTORNEY pursuant to this Agreement (collectively referred to herein as "Copyrightable Works and Inventions"). COUNTY shall have the unrestricted authority to copy, adapt, perform, display, publish, disclose, distribute, create derivative works from, and otherwise use in whole or in part, any Copyrightable Works and Inventions. ATTORNEY agrees to take such actions and execute and deliver such documents as may be needed to validate, protect and confirm the rights and assignments provided hereunder. ATTORNEY warrants that any Copyrightable Works and Inventions and other items provided under this Agreement will not infringe upon any intellectual property or proprietary rights of any third party. ATTORNEY at its own expense shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless COUNTY against any claim that any Copyrightable Works or Inventions or other items provided by ATTORNEY hereunder infringe upon any intellectual property or other proprietary rights of a third party, and ATTORNEY shall pay any damages, costs, settlement amounts, and fees (including attorneys' fees) that may be incurred by COUNTY in connection with any such claims. This Ownership of Documents and Intellectual Property provision shall survive expiration or termination of the Agreement.

- 13. **NO PUBLICITY OR ENDORSEMENT.** ATTORNEY shall not use COUNTY's name or logo or any variation of such name or logo in any publicity, advertising or promotional materials. ATTORNEY shall not use COUNTY's name or logo in any manner that would give the appearance that the COUNTY is endorsing ATTORNEY. ATTORNEY shall not in any way contract on behalf of or in the name of COUNTY. ATTORNEY shall not release any informational pamphlets, notices, press releases, research reports, or similar public notices concerning the COUNTY or its projects without obtaining the prior written approval of COUNTY.
- 14. <u>COUNTY PROPERTY AND INFORMATION</u>. All of COUNTY's property, documents, and information provided for ATTORNEY's use in connection with the services shall remain COUNTY's property, and ATTORNEY shall return any such items whenever requested by COUNTY and whenever required according to the Termination section of this Agreement. ATTORNEY may use such items only in connection with providing the services. ATTORNEY shall not disseminate any COUNTY property, documents, or information without COUNTY's prior written consent.
- 15. RECORDS, AUDIT, AND REVIEW. ATTORNEY shall keep such business records pursuant to this Agreement as would be kept by a reasonably prudent practitioner of ATTORNEY's profession and shall maintain such records for at least four (4) years following the termination of this Agreement. All accounting records shall be kept in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices. COUNTY shall have the right to audit and review all such documents and records at any time during ATTORNEY's regular business hours or upon reasonable notice. In addition, if this Agreement exceeds ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) ATTORNEY shall be subject to the examination and audit of the State Auditor General for a period of three (3) years after final payment under the Agreement (Cal. Govt. Code Section 8546.7). ATTORNEY shall participate in any audits and review, whether by COUNTY or the State, at no charge to COUNTY.
- 16. <u>INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE.</u> ATTORNEY shall agree to defend, indemnify and save harmless the COUNTY and to procure and maintain insurance in accordance with the provisions of EXHIBIT C attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- 17. <u>NONDISCRIMINATION</u>. COUNTY hereby notifies ATTORNEY that COUNTY's Unlawful Discrimination Ordinance (Article XIII of Chapter 2 of the Santa Barbara County Code) applies to this Agreement and is incorporated herein by this reference with the same force and effect as if the ordinance were specifically set out herein and ATTORNEY agrees to comply with said ordinance.
- 18. <u>NONEXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT.</u> ATTORNEY understands that this is not an exclusive Agreement and that COUNTY shall have the right to negotiate with and enter into contracts with others providing the same or similar services as those provided by ATTORNEY as the COUNTY desires.
- 19. <u>NON-ASSIGNMENT.</u> ATTORNEY shall not assign, transfer or subcontract this Agreement or any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of COUNTY and any attempt to so assign, subcontract or transfer without such consent shall be void and without legal effect and shall constitute grounds for termination.

20. **TERMINATION.**

- A. <u>By COUNTY.</u> COUNTY may, by written notice to ATTORNEY, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part, whether for COUNTY's convenience, for nonappropriation of funds, or because of the failure of ATTORNEY to fulfill the obligations herein.
- 1. For Convenience. COUNTY may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part upon thirty (30) days written notice. During the thirty (30) day period, ATTORNEY shall, as directed by COUNTY, wind down and cease its services as quickly and efficiently as reasonably possible, without performing unnecessary services or activities and by minimizing negative effects on COUNTY from such winding down and cessation of services.
- 2. For Nonappropriation of Funds. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in the event that no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated or budgeted by federal, state or COUNTY governments, or funds are not otherwise available for payments in the fiscal year(s) covered by the term of this Agreement, then COUNTY will notify ATTORNEY of such occurrence and COUNTY may terminate or suspend this Agreement in whole or in part, with or without a prior notice period. Subsequent to termination of this Agreement under this provision, COUNTY shall have no obligation to make payments with regard to the remainder of the term.
- 3. For Cause. Should ATTORNEY default in the performance of this Agreement or materially breach any of its provisions, COUNTY may, at COUNTY's sole option, terminate or suspend this Agreement in whole or in part by written notice. Upon receipt of notice, ATTORNEY shall immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise) and notify COUNTY as to the status of its performance. The date of termination shall be the date the notice is received by ATTORNEY, unless the notice directs otherwise.
- B. <u>By ATTORNEY.</u> Should COUNTY fail to pay ATTORNEY all or any part of the payment set forth in EXHIBIT B, ATTORNEY may, at ATTORNEY's option terminate this Agreement if such failure is not remedied by COUNTY within thirty (30) days of written notice to COUNTY of such late payment.
- C. Upon termination, ATTORNEY shall deliver to COUNTY all data, estimates, graphs, summaries, reports, and all other property, records, documents or papers as may have been accumulated or produced by ATTORNEY in performing this Agreement, whether completed or in process, except such items as COUNTY may, by written permission, permit ATTORNEY to retain. Notwithstanding any other payment provision of this Agreement, COUNTY shall pay ATTORNEY for satisfactory services performed to the date of termination to include a prorated amount of compensation due hereunder less payments, if any, previously made. In no event shall ATTORNEY be paid an amount in excess of the full price under this Agreement nor for profit on unperformed portions of service. ATTORNEY shall furnish to COUNTY such financial information as in the judgment of COUNTY is necessary to determine the reasonable value of the services rendered by ATTORNEY. In the event of a dispute as to the reasonable value of the services rendered by ATTORNEY, the decision of COUNTY shall be final. The foregoing is cumulative and shall not affect any right or remedy which COUNTY may have in law or equity.
- 21. **SECTION HEADINGS.** The headings of the several sections, and any Table of Contents appended hereto, shall be solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect hereof.
- 22. **SEVERABILITY.** If any one or more of the provisions contained herein shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, then such provision or provisions shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions hereof, and such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

- 23. **REMEDIES NOT EXCLUSIVE.** No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to COUNTY is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy or remedies, and each and every such remedy, to the extent permitted by law, shall be cumulative and in addition to any other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise.
- 24. **TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE.** Time is of the essence in this Agreement and each covenant and term is a condition herein.
- 25. **NO WAIVER OF DEFAULT.** No delay or omission of COUNTY to exercise any right or power arising upon the occurrence of any event of default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or an acquiescence therein; and every power and remedy given by this Agreement to COUNTY shall be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient in the sole discretion of COUNTY.
- 26. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENT.** In conjunction with the matters considered herein, this Agreement contains the entire understanding and agreement of the parties and there have been no promises, representations, agreements, warranties or undertakings by any of the parties, either oral or written, of any character or nature hereafter binding except as set forth herein. This Agreement may be altered, amended or modified only by an instrument in writing, executed by the parties to this Agreement and by no other means. Each party waives their future right to claim, contest or assert that this Agreement was modified, canceled, superseded, or changed by any oral agreements, course of conduct, waiver or estoppel.
- 27. <u>SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.</u> All representations, covenants and warranties set forth in this Agreement, by or on behalf of, or for the benefit of any or all of the parties hereto, shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of such party, its successors and assigns.
- 28. <u>COMPLIANCE WITH LAW.</u> ATTORNEY shall, at ATTORNEY's sole cost and expense, comply with all County, State and Federal ordinances and statutes now in force or which may hereafter be in force with regard to this Agreement. The judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, or the admission of ATTORNEY in any action or proceeding against ATTORNEY, whether COUNTY is a party thereto or not, that ATTORNEY has violated any such ordinance or statute, shall be conclusive of that fact as between ATTORNEY and COUNTY.
- 29. <u>CALIFORNIA LAW.</u> This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. Any litigation regarding this Agreement or its contents shall be filed in the County of Santa Barbara, if in state court, or in the federal district court nearest to Santa Barbara County, if in federal court.
- 30. **EXECUTION OF COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and each of such counterparts shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original; and all such counterparts, or as many of them as the parties shall preserve undestroyed, shall together constitute one and the same instrument.
- 31. **AUTHORITY.** All parties to this Agreement warrant and represent that they have the power and authority to enter into this Agreement in the names, titles and capacities herein stated and on behalf of any entities, persons, or firms represented or purported to be represented by such entity(ies), person(s), or firm(s) and that all formal requirements necessary or required by any state and/or federal law in order to enter into this Agreement have been fully complied with. Furthermore, by entering into this Agreement, ATTORNEY hereby warrants that it shall not have breached the terms or conditions of any other contract or agreement to which ATTORNEY is obligated, which breach would have a material effect hereon.
- 32. **SURVIVAL.** All provisions of this Agreement which by their nature are intended to survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement shall survive such termination or expiration.

33. **PRECEDENCE.** In the event of conflict between the provisions contained in the numbered sections of this Agreement and the provisions contained in the Exhibits, the provisions of the Exhibits shall prevail over those in the numbered sections.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement to be effective on the date it has been executed by both parties.

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

	By: Chair, Board of Supervisors Date:
ATTEST: MICHAEL F. BROWN CLERK OF THE BOARD	ATTORNEY Law Offices of Stephan C. Volker
By: Deputy	By:Steven C. Volker TaxID Number: 94 -3383954
APPROVED AS TO FORM: DENNIS A. MARSHALL COUNTY COUNSEL	APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM: ROBERT W. GEIS, CPA AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
By: Malbett Deputy County Counsel	By:

RISK PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR

Risk Program Administrator

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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EXHIBIT A

STATEMENT OF WORK

At the request of either the COUNTY Counsel, or designee, ATTORNEY shall furnish and perform in a manner satisfactory to the COUNTY Counsel all legal services that may be necessary concerning the COUNTY'S relationship with the Regents of the University of California, the representatives, employees, officers and agents of the Regents, and any matters concerning the Santa Barbara campus of the University of California (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Regents"); advise and participate in negotiations with the Regents concerning the LRDP and other development contemplated by the Regents in Santa Barbara County, including but not limited to matters pertaining to environmental review and permit issuance; and representation of the COUNTY in litigation, if such litigation is deemed necessary by COUNTY, and other such issues as agreed upon from time to time, in writing, between Law Offices of Stephan C. Volker and Santa Barbara County Counsel.

EXHIBIT B

PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS Periodic Compensation (with attached Schedule of Fees)

- A. Unless previously agreed in writing by COUNTY, Stephan C. Volker shall be the attorney primarily responsible for providing all services hereunder.
- B. Payment for services and/or reimbursement of costs shall be made upon ATTORNEY's satisfactory performance, based upon the services set forth in **EXHIBIT A** as determined by COUNTY COUNSEL. Payment for services and/or reimbursement of costs shall be based upon the costs, expenses, overhead charges and hourly rates for personnel, as defined in **Attachment B-1** (Schedule of Fees), **NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 unless further agreed by COUNTY**. Invoices submitted for payment must contain sufficient detail to enable an audit of the charges and provide supporting documentation.
- C. Monthly, ATTORNEY shall submit to the COUNTY COUNSEL an invoice or certified claim on the County Treasury for the service performed over the period specified. These invoices or certified claims must cite the assigned Contract Number. COUNTY COUNSEL shall evaluate whether the invoice is within the cost basis of **Attachment B-1** and shall initiate payment processing. COUNTY shall pay invoices or claims for satisfactory work within 30 days of presentation.
- D. COUNTY's failure to discover or object to any unsatisfactory work or billings prior to payment will not constitute a waiver of COUNTY's right to require ATTORNEY to correct such work or billings or seek any other legal remedy.

ATTACHMENT B-1

SCHEDULE OF FEES

HOURLY RATES

ATTORNEY's hourly rates are as follows:

Stephan C. Volker: \$375 per hour.

Other (associate) attorneys: between \$250 and \$300 per hour, depending on associate, as set forth

below.

Stephan C. Volker will be the lead attorney, but may from time to time be assisted by other attorneys in the firm. COUNTY acknowledges that these hourly rates may be increased from time to time with the prior written consent of COUNTY. No increase will be binding on Santa Barbara County unless approved by COUNTY in writing.

In the event COUNTY authorizes ATTORNEY to prosecute litigation challenging the LRDP and COUNTY prevails in such litigation, ATTORNEY shall seek recovery of COUNTY'S litigation costs including attorney fees. All costs recovered shall be the property of COUNTY. In recognition of the fact that ATTORNEY'S hourly rates under this Agreement are substantially less than ATTORNEY'S market value in the San Francisco Bay Area, all attorney fees recovered shall be allocated first to ATTORNEY for the difference between this Agreement's hourly rate and ATTORNEYS' market rate, and thereafter to the COUNTY. ATTORNEY'S market rate for purposes of this Agreement is as follows: Mr. Volker: \$600/hour; Mr. Harris: \$300/hour; other associate attorneys: \$250/hour.

COSTS AND EXPENSES

COUNTY shall reimburse ATTORNEY for certain costs and expenses actually incurred and reasonably necessary for completing the matter for which COUNTY has engaged ATTORNEY, as long as COUNTY's charges for costs and expenses are competitive with other sources of the same products or services. COUNTY shall reimburse ATTORNEY in accordance with the following guidelines:

Billable costs and expenses: COUNTY shall reimburse ATTORNEY at the COUNTY's reimbursement rates for reasonable costs and expenses incurred by it in performing services for the COUNTY, such as photocopying, messenger and delivery service, computerized research, travel (including mileage, parking, airfare, lodging, meals, and transportation), long-distance telephone, and filing fees.

Nonbillable overhead and administration: COUNTY does not expect to be charged for and will not pay for any of the following: attorney time spent preparing time sheets or bills, conflicts checks, local phone service, local travel costs, secretarial services, word processing services, librarian services, other clerical activities such as creating, organizing and maintaining files, distributing documents, overtime, or any other services traditionally considered overhead or administrative.

Photocopying: COUNTY will reimburse ATTORNEY at a maximum of \$.15 per page for normal photocopying and will not be responsible for time spent by photocopying personnel. ATTORNEY shall give COUNTY an opportunity to use its own internal staff to duplicate documents or an outside photocopying vendor if certain jobs can be less expensively performed by the COUNTY or by the vendor.

Computerized research: ATTORNEY shall perform any computerized research in a low-cost manner. Computerized research charges such as Lexis/Nexis or Westlaw that are billed to COUNTY shall be billed at ATTORNEY's cost and shall be accompanied by a copy of the invoice received by ATTORNEY.

Document delivery: For document delivery costs that are billed to COUNTY, ATTORNEY shall use the most economical delivery method or service available. To help minimize such costs, ATTORNEY shall use messengers and overnight delivery only where necessary in the interests of urgency and reliability.

Multiple billing: If an attorney works simultaneously on the COUNTY's matter and a matter for another client of ATTORNEY's firm, COUNTY shall be billed only for the proportionate amount of time spent on the COUNTY's matter.

Travel: COUNTY will reimburse ATTORNEY at the COUNTY's reimbursement rates for reasonable travel expenses directly related to ATTORNEY's work for COUNTY when ATTORNEY has obtained COUNTY's prior approval. First class airfare, luxury accommodations and lavish meals are considered unreasonable expenses and will not be paid. Travel time outside of customary business hours (8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.) should be billed only when productive work actually is being performed for the COUNTY.

BILLING PROCEDURE

All invoices must include the following information, in addition to the information specified in Exhibit B:

- Matter description and number;
- A chronological listing and informative description of all legal activity performed (whether or not billed) broken down by date, identity of timekeeper, time spent in increments of one-tenth of an hour, and amounts billed;
- A summary of the names and corresponding billing rates of each attorney or other personnel working on the matter with the total number of hours billed by each during the time period covered by the invoice:
- The total number of hours billed for the matter during the time period covered by the invoice;
- The total charges for the matter for the time period covered by the invoice, for the year to date, and for the matter to date; and
- The last payment, the total payments made by the COUNTY and any outstanding balances for the matter.

Reimburseable expenses must be included on each bill and should be broken down by category.

RESPONSE TO AUDIT INQUIRIES

If COUNTY asks ATTORNEY to assist in connection with the issuance of an auditor's report on COUNTY's financial statements, ATTORNEY may be requested to respond to an inquiry from COUNTY's auditors based upon accounting standards that require COUNTY's auditors to make inquiry of COUNTY's lawyers as to their knowledge of certain "loss contingencies." Upon receipt of an audit inquiry ATTORNEY will, among other things, search ATTORNEY's databases to identify lawyers devoting time to COUNTY's matters, make inquiry of those lawyers as to their knowledge of any reportable matters and prepare a written response to COUNTY's auditors and to COUNTY. Absent special circumstances, ATTORNEY's fee structure for the preparation of these letters is a minimum of \$200 and a maximum of \$500, depending on the extent and number of any matters reported. However, under limited circumstances, the fee may exceed \$500 if the letter requires extensive substantive attention to disclosure or other related issues. This charge will appear on ATTORNEY's invoice as a line item for "Services rendered in connection with preparation of response to audit inquiry." Charges for audit inquiry letters may be changed periodically without prior notice, typically after the end of each calendar year.

EXHIBIT C

STANDARD INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE PROVISIONS for contracts REQUIRING professional liability insurance

INDEMNIFICATION

Indemnification pertaining to other than Professional Services:

ATTORNEY shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the COUNTY, its officers, agents and employees from any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments or liabilities arising out of this Agreement or occasioned by the performance or attempted performance of the provisions hereof, to the extent caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of ATTORNEY or his agents or employees or other independent contractors directly responsible to him; except claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments or liabilities to the extent caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the COUNTY, its officers, agents or employees, or any other entity engaged by the COUNTY.

ATTORNEY shall notify the COUNTY immediately in the event of any accident or injury arising out of or in connection with this Agreement.

Indemnification pertaining to Professional Services:

ATTORNEY shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the COUNTY, its officers, agents and employees from any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments or liabilities arising out of the negligent performance or attempted performance of the provisions hereof, to the extent caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of ATTORNEY or his agents or employees or other independent contractors directly responsible to him; except claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments or liabilities to the extent caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the COUNTY, its officers, agents or employees, or any other entity engaged by the COUNTY

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INSURANCE

Without limiting the ATTORNEY's indemnification of the COUNTY, ATTORNEY shall procure the following required insurance coverages at its sole cost and expense. All insurance coverage is to be placed with insurers which (1) have a Best's rating of no less than A: VII, and (2) are admitted insurance companies in the State of California. All other insurers require the prior approval of the COUNTY. Such insurance coverage shall be maintained during the term of this Agreement. Failure to comply with the insurance requirements shall place ATTORNEY in default. Upon request by the COUNTY, ATTORNEY shall provide a certified copy of any insurance policy to the COUNTY within ten (10) working days.

1. Workers' Compensation Insurance: Statutory Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance shall cover all ATTORNEY's staff while performing any work incidental to the performance of this Agreement. The policy shall provide that no cancellation, or expiration or reduction of coverage shall be effective or occur until at least thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice by the COUNTY. In the event ATTORNEY is self-insured, it shall furnish a copy of Certificate of Consent to Self-Insure issued by the Department of Industrial Relations for the State of California. This provision does not apply if ATTORNEY has no employees as defined in Labor Code Section 3350 et seq. during the entire period of this Agreement and ATTORNEY submits a written statement to the COUNTY stating that fact.

2. General and Automobile Liability Insurance: The general liability insurance shall include bodily injury, property damage and personal injury liability coverage, shall afford coverage for all premises, operations, products and completed operations of ATTORNEY and shall include contractual liability coverage sufficiently broad so as to include the insurable liability assumed by the ATTORNEY in the indemnity and hold harmless provisions of the Indemnification Section of this Agreement between COUNTY and ATTORNEY. The automobile liability insurance shall cover all owned, non-owned and hired motor vehicles that are operated on behalf of ATTORNEY pursuant to ATTORNEY's activities hereunder. ATTORNEYS shall require all subcontractors to be included under its policies or furnish separate certificates and endorsements to meet the standards of these provisions by each subcontractors. COUNTY, its officers, agents, and employees shall be Additional Insured status on any policy. A cross liability clause, or equivalent wording, stating that coverage will apply separately to each named or additional insured as if separate policies had been issued to each shall be included in the policies. A copy of the endorsement evidencing that the policy has been changed to reflect the Additional Insured status must be attached to the certificate of insurance. The limit of liability of said policy or policies for general and automobile liability insurance shall not be less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate. Any deductible or Self-Insured Retention {SIR} over \$10,000 requires approval by the COUNTY.

Said policy or policies shall include a severability of interest or cross liability clause or equivalent wording. Said policy or policies shall contain a provision of the following form:

"Such insurance as is afforded by this policy shall be primary and non-contributory to the full limits stated in the declarations, and if the COUNTY has other valid and collectible insurance for a loss covered by this policy, that other insurance shall be excess only."

If the policy providing liability coverage is on a 'claims-made' form, the ATTORNEY is required to maintain such coverage for a minimum of three years following completion of the performance or attempted performance of the provisions of this agreement. Said policy or policies shall provide that the COUNTY shall be given thirty (30) days written notice prior to cancellation or expiration of the policy or reduction in coverage.

3. <u>Professional Liability Insurance</u>. Professional liability insurance shall include coverage for the activities of ATTORNEY's professional staff with a combined single limit of not less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence or claim and in the aggregate. Said policy or policies shall provide that COUNTY shall be given thirty (30) days written notice prior to cancellation, expiration of the policy, or reduction in coverage. If the policy providing professional liability coverage is a on 'claims-made' form, the ATTORNEY is required to maintain such coverage for a minimum of three (3) years (ten years [10] for Construction Defect Claims) following completion of the performance or attempted performance of the provisions of this agreement.

ATTORNEY shall submit to the office of the designated COUNTY representative certificate(s) of insurance documenting the required insurance as specified above prior to this Agreement becoming effective. COUNTY shall maintain current certificate(s) of insurance at all times in the office of the designated COUNTY representative as a condition precedent to any payment under this Agreement. Approval of insurance by COUNTY or acceptance of the certificate of insurance by COUNTY shall not relieve or decrease the extent to which the ATTORNEY may be held responsible for payment of damages resulting from ATTORNEY'S services of operation pursuant to the contract, nor shall it be deemed a waiver of COUNTY'S rights to insurance coverage hereunder.

In the event the ATTORNEY is not able to comply with the COUNTY'S insurance requirements, COUNTY may, at their sole discretion and at the ATTORNEY'S expense, provide compliant coverage.

The above insurance requirements are subject to periodic review by the COUNTY. The COUNTY's Risk Manager is authorized to change the above insurance requirements, with the concurrence of County Counsel, to include additional types of insurance coverage or higher coverage limits, provided that such

change is reasonable based on changed risk of loss or in light of past claims against the COUNTY or inflation. This option may be exercised during any amendment of this Agreement that results in an increase in the nature of COUNTY's risk and such change of provisions will be in effect for the term of the amended Agreement. Such change pertaining to types of insurance coverage or higher coverage limits must be made by written amendment to this Agreement. ATTORNEY agrees to execute any such amendment within thirty (30) days of acceptance of the amendment or modification.

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Complete data below, print, obtain signature of authorized departmental representative, and submit this form (and attachments) to the Clerk of the Board (>\$100,000). If less than \$100,000, submit a purchasing requisition to the Purchasing Division of General Services. See "Online Purchasing Manual" under "General Services", "Purchasing", "Policies and Procedures. "See also "Contracts for Services" policy. Form not applicable to revenue contracts.

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