



County of Santa Barbara

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

November 4, 2025

Present: 5 - Supervisor Lee, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

COUNTY COUNSEL

File Reference No. 25-00930

RE: Consider recommendations regarding an amendment to the Agreement for Professional Legal Services with Outside Counsel Rutan and Tucker, LLP, as follows: (4/5 Vote Required)

a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a Fifth Amendment to the Agreement for Professional Legal Services between the County of Santa Barbara and Rutan and Tucker, LLP to extend the term of the Agreement to December 31, 2026 and increase the maximum contract amount by \$375,000.00 for a new maximum contract amount not to exceed \$1,790,000.00; and

b) Determine that the above action is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5) because it consists of government administrative or fiscal activities that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hartmann, seconded by Supervisor Nelson, that this matter be acted on as follows:

a) **Approved and authorized; Chair to execute; and**

b) **Approved.**

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Lee, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino