

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: County Counsel

Department No.: 013

September 13, 2022

For Agenda Of: Placement:

Administrative

Estimated Time:

Continued Item: N_0

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required:

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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: County Counsel Rachel Van Mullem, 568-2950

Contact Info: Anne Rierson, 568-2950

SUBJECT: Outside Counsel Contract Extension – Rimôn, P.C.

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

As to form: Risk Management

Recommended Actions:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Professional Legal Services with Rimôn, P.C., extending the term to September 14, 2024 and adding \$35,000, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$75,000; 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:

From time to time, the County has a need to engage outside counsel to assist the County and its elected officials with bankruptcy matters. This Amendment No. 1 extends the term of an existing outside counsel agreement to September 14, 2024 and adds \$35,000, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$75,000. The attorney primarily responsible for performing the bankruptcy legal services is Jacquelyn Choi.

Key Contract Risks: None

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted – Funding will come from the use of the Litigation fund balance component of the General Fund.

Special Instructions:

Please forward a signed copy to County Counsel.

Attachments:

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

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