



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Air Quality Management District

Meeting Date: July 21, 2020

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Item Type: Regular Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: 15 Min

Agenda Title:

Discussion and Possible Action Including Approval of Amendment to Legal Services Agreement No. 19-182 with Christiana Darlington, dba CLERE Inc., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$40,500, for Separate Legal Representation for the Air Quality Management District Effective When Agreement Becomes Fully Executed through June 30, 2021

(Sponsor: Air Quality Management District)

Recommended Action/Motion:

Approve Amendment to Legal Services Agreement No. 19-182 with Christiana Darlington, dba CLERE Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$40,500, for separate legal representation for the Air Quality Management District effective when the Agreement becomes fully executed through June 30, 2021; and authorize Chair to sign same.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

On November 13, 2018 - Approval of Legal Services Agreement #18-159 with Christiana Darlington as outside legal counsel for the Air Quality Management District. On May 21, 2019, the Air Quality Management District Board discussed various procedures and protocols related to legal representation on behalf of the District. On June 18, 2019, the Board provided direction regarding changes to a draft of this agreement, including that it should return on the consent calendar. On July 10, 2019, the Board Chair executed the revised attached Agreement, #19-182.

Summary of Request:

The Air Quality Management District is requesting to renew the Legal Services Agreement with Christiana Darlington for Separate legal Representation through June 30, 2021. The Attorney's rate is \$250 per hour with no minimum hours. Ms. Darlington has over ten years' experience in air quality law, CEQA and planning and has been working with the District under contract since November 2018 on matters related to District programs and mandated requirements. Currently, Christiana Darlington is contracted with two other air quality management districts.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Do not approve the Legal Services Agreement; provide direction to staff.

Supervisory District: All

vote requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At: N/A

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: District Budget

current f/y cost: Up to \$40,500

annual recurring cost: N/A

budget clarification: N/A

budgeted in current f/y: Yes

if no, please describe:

revenue agreement: No

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

CEO Liaison: Steve Dunncliff, Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk I

Date: July 24, 2020

Final Status: **Approved**

Executed Item: **Agreement** Number: 19-182-A1

Note to Department Number of Original Agreements
Returned to Dept: 0 Original Agreement Delivered to
Auditor? No

