

# Mendocino County

# **Legislation Text**

File #: 20-0870, Version: 1

To: Board of Supervisors

**From:** Health and Human Services Agency

**Meeting Date:** October 6, 2020

**Department Contact:** Tammy Moss Chandler

Item Type: Consent Agenda Time Allocated for

Item: N/A

Phone:

463-7774

## **Agenda Title:**

Approval of Retroactive Memorandum of Understanding with County of Sonoma in the Amount of \$65,323 for the Provision of Mandated Laboratory Testing Services, Effective July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020

#### **Recommended Action/Motion:**

Approve retroactive Memorandum of Understanding with County of Sonoma in the amount of \$65,323 for the provision of mandated laboratory testing services, effective July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020; authorize the Health and Human Services Director or designee to sign any amendments that do not increase the maximum amount; and authorize Chair to sign same.

### **Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:**

November 13, 2012, Item 4(c), BOS Agreement No. 12-128; June 16, 2015, Item 4(l), BOS Agreement No. 15-060.

#### **Summary of Request:**

Per California State Code, counties with populations over 50,000 are required to provide public health laboratory services. California State Code does not require counties to maintain their own laboratory, but does require counties to arrange for the provision of mandated testing. Mendocino County has fulfilled testing requirements through contracts with outside agencies since the closure of the Mendocino County Public Health Lab in 2009.

The Public Health Branch of the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) requests Board approval of a sixmonth contract with Sonoma County's Public Health Lab. The proposed contract is a renewal of the most recent lab services contract with Sonoma County, which covered the past five Fiscal Years and expired on June 30, 2020. The new contract is calculated at the 2019-20 rate plus 3.5 percent. This same increase to the yearly cost was standard in the contract that expired in June.

HHSA requests retroactive approval of the proposed Agreement due to various factors related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, including short staffing in Public Health and extended negotiation and processing times required by both Mendocino and Sonoma Counties. Execution of this contract will allow continued provision of lab services in Mendocino County through December 31, 2020, while HHSA explores alternate methods for provision of these mandated services.

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### **Alternative Action/Motion:**

Return to staff for alternative handling.

**Supervisorial District:** All

vote requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At: N/A

### **Fiscal Details:**

source of funding: Budget Unit 4013

**current f/y cost:** \$65,323

annual recurring cost: To be determined

budget clarification: n/a

revenue agreement: No

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

**CEO Liaison:** Darcie Antle, Deputy CEO

**CEO Review:** Yes **CEO Comments:** 

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk I

Date: OCTOBER 7, 2020

**Note to Department** Number of Original Agreements Returned to Dept: o Original Agreement Delivered to

Auditor? Yes

Final Status:Approved

budgeted in current f/y: Yes if no, please describe: n/a

Executed Item Type: Interim Agreement

Number: \*20-141

