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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: April 25, 2023

TO: **Board of Supervisors**

Phebe Bell FROM:

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of an amendment to the contract with GHC of Auburn, LLC dba Siena Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center for mental health services to increase the maximum contract price from \$50,000 to \$577,095 (an increase of \$527,095 and revise Exhibit "B", Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect the increase in the maximum contract and a term extension to June 30, 2024 and directs the Auditor-Controller to amend the Behavioral Health Budget for Fiscal Year 2022/23 (4/5 Affirmative Vote Required).

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: These services are mandated. Funding is from 2011 and 1991 Realignment. A budget amendment is required and is included in this Resolution. There are no county general funds required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: On March 28, 2023, per Purchasing Order PESQ4668, the Nevada County Purchasing Agent approved execution of the Professional Services Contract with GHC of Auburn, LLC dba Siena Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center for Skilled Nursing Facility/Special Treatment Program (SNF/STP) and other Community Mental Health Services for Mentally Disordered Persons.

GHC provides intensive residential and therapeutic support to individuals who are experiencing a sustained mental health crisis and are working toward safely returning to the community. This is a vital resource for the community and part of the crisis continuum of care. Due to the individual risk factors, it is difficult to predict how many Nevada County residents may require this level of support and treatment. The present need exceeded the projected need, and a contract and budget increase is needed to meet the current demands.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Amendment as it allows Nevada County to continue to support individuals who need this level of care as they work toward stabilization and build the skills necessary to return to a lower level of care.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Phebe Bell, MSW, Director of Behavioral Health