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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: November 10, 2020

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Jill Blake**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Alpine County pertaining to Interim Public Health Officer duties as required by the Nevada County Public Health Department to increase the maximum contract price from \$50,000 to \$152,000 (an increase of \$102,000), extending the contract term through June 30, 2021, amending the Section 12 Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement, and revising Exhibit "B" Schedule of Charges and Payments to reflect the increase in the maximum contract price, . (PESO4092)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Services are funded by state/federal dollars for Public Health administration and for COVID-19 support and response. Services are budgeted within the department's FY 2020/21 budget and included in Countywide Budget Amendment #1. There are no county general funds required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: The Board of Supervisors of each county is required to appoint a physician that is in good standing and meets the qualifications of a county health officer as set forth in Health and Safety Code section 101005 to serve as the County's "Health Officer." Per Purchasing Contract No. PESO4092, a contract between the County of Nevada and Alpine County was entered on September 16, 2020, in the amount not to exceed \$34,250, authorizing Alpine County's Public Health Officer, Dr. Richard Johnson, MD, MPH, to provide services as the interim Public Health Officer and Registrar for the County of Nevada. On September 28, 2020, this Agreement to increase the maximum amount to \$50,000, the maximum amount allowed within the Purchasing Agent's authority.

The amendment before you today increases the maximum contract amount from \$50,000 to \$152,000 (an increase of \$102,000) and extends the contract term to June 31, 2020, for the provision of additional COVID-19 emergency response and support services, as well as other Public Health Officer duties. Additionally, this amendment revises and replaces the Hold Harmless and

Indemnification provisions in Section 12 of Agreement to further clarify the scope of indemnification in relation to the official actions of the Public Health Officer.

Purchasing Policy section 7.1(B) states Board approval is necessary for contracts \$50,000 and above. Therefore, it is required that the Board approve this Amendment No. 2. This additional funding will help ensure a qualified physician continues to be available to address a wide array of public health issues including infectious disease outbreaks including the COVID-19 pandemic and responses to local emergency events on behalf of Nevada County.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Jill Blake, MPA Director of Public Health