

CALENDAR FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
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ANNOTATED AGENDA & MINUTES
March 10, 2020

Present: Director John Gioia; Director Candace Andersen; Director Diane Burgis; Director Karen Mitchoff; Director Federal D. Glover

Staff Present: David Twa, County Administrator
Lewis Broschard, Fire Chief

1:00 P.M. Convene and call to order.

Convened today's meeting at 3:34 p.m. Adjourned today's meeting at 3:45 p.m.

CONSIDER CONSENT ITEMS (Items listed as C.1 through C.3 on the following agenda) – Items are subject to removal from Consent Calendar by request of any Director or on request for discussion by a member of the public. **Items removed from the Consent Calendar will be considered with the Discussion Items.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS

D. 1 CONSIDER Consent Items previously removed.

There were no items removed for discussion.

D. 2 PUBLIC COMMENT (2 Minutes/Speaker)

There were no requests to speak at public comment.

D.3 CONSIDER accepting a report from the Fire Chief providing a status summary for Contra Costa County Fire Protection District fire station construction projects. (Lewis T. Broschard III, Fire Chief)

AYE: Director John Gioia, Director Candace Andersen, Director Diane Burgis, Director Karen Mitchoff, Director Federal D. Glover

D.4 CONSIDER accepting a report from the Fire Chief providing a status summary for ongoing Fire District activities and initiatives. (Lewis T. Broschard III, Fire Chief)

AYE: Director John Gioia, Director Candace Andersen, Director Diane Burgis, Director Karen Mitchoff, Director Federal D. Glover

CONSENT ITEMS

C.1 APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Fire Chief, or designee, to execute a contract amendment with Kitchell/CEM to increase the payment limit by \$200,000 to a new payment limit of \$895,000 and to extend the termination date from March 13, 2020 to September 13, 2021 to provide construction management services for Fire Station No. 70 located in San Pablo. (100% CCCFPD Capital Construction Fund)

AYE: Director John Gioia, Director Candace Andersen, Director Diane Burgis, Director Karen Mitchoff, Director Federal D. Glover

C.2 APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Auditor-Controller, on behalf of the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District, to make a payment to the State of California Department of Health Care Services in the amount of \$521,009 for the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation Quality Assurance Fee for ambulance transports in the fourth quarter of 2019. (100% CCCFPD EMS Transport Fund)

AYE: Director John Gioia, Director Candace Andersen, Director Diane Burgis, Director Karen Mitchoff, Director Federal D. Glover

C.3 APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Fire Chief, or designee, to execute a Master License and Services Agreement with Calytera, US, Inc., for fire prevention inspection software and support for the period March 11, 2020, through March 10, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$420,000, and a contract with Vision33 Inc., for implementation, hosting, and support of the fire inspection software for the period March 11, 2020 through March 10, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$607,000. (100% CCCFPD General Operating Fund)

AYE: Director John Gioia, Director Candace Andersen, Director Diane Burgis, Director Karen Mitchoff, Director Federal D. Glover

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ADVISORY COMMISSION

The Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Advisory Fire Commission is scheduled to meet next on Monday, April 13, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at their Administrative Office, 4005 Port Chicago Highway, Suite 250, Concord, CA 94520.

AGENDA DEADLINE: Thursday, 12 noon, 12 days before the Tuesday Board meetings.

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AB Assembly Bill
ABAG Association of Bay Area Governments
ACA Assembly Constitutional Amendment
ADA Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990
AFSCME American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees
ARRA American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009
BAAQMD Bay Area Air Quality Management District
BART Bay Area Rapid Transit District
BayRICS Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications System
BGO Better Government Ordinance
BOC Board of Commissioners
CALTRANS California Department of Transportation
CAER Community Awareness Emergency Response
CAL-EMA California Emergency Management Agency
CAO County Administrative Officer or Office
CCE Community Choice Energy
CBC California Building Code
CCCPFD (ConFire) Contra Costa County Fire Protection District
CCHP Contra Costa Health Plan
CCTA Contra Costa Transportation Authority
CCRMC Contra Costa Regional Medical Center
CCWD Contra Costa Water District
CFC California Fire Code
CFDA Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance
CEQA California Environmental Quality Act
CIO Chief Information Officer
COLA Cost of living adjustment

ConFire (CCCFPD) Contra Costa County Fire Protection District
CPA Certified Public Accountant
CPF – California Professional Firefighters
CPI Consumer Price Index
CSA County Service Area
CSAC California State Association of Counties
CTC California Transportation Commission
dba doing business as
EBMUD East Bay Municipal Utility District
ECCFPD East Contra Costa Fire Protection District
EIR Environmental Impact Report
EIS Environmental Impact Statement
EMCC Emergency Medical Care Committee
EMS Emergency Medical Services
et al. et alii (and others)
FAA Federal Aviation Administration
FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency
FTE Full Time Equivalent
FY Fiscal Year
GIS Geographic Information System
HCD (State Dept of) Housing & Community Development
HHS (State Dept of) Health and Human Services
HOV High Occupancy Vehicle
HR Human Resources
HUD United States Department of Housing and Urban Development
IAFF International Association of Firefighters
ICC International Code Council
IFC International Fire Code
Inc. Incorporated
IOC Internal Operations Committee
ISO Industrial Safety Ordinance
JPA Joint (exercise of) Powers Authority or Agreement
Lamorinda Lafayette-Moraga-Orinda Area
LAFCo Local Agency Formation Commission
LLC Limited Liability Company
LLP Limited Liability Partnership
Local 1 Public Employees Union Local 1
Local 1230 Contra Costa County Professional Firefighters Local 1230
MAC Municipal Advisory Council
MBE Minority Business Enterprise
MIS Management Information System
MOE Maintenance of Effort
MOU Memorandum of Understanding
MTC Metropolitan Transportation Commission
NACo National Association of Counties
NEPA National Environmental Policy Act
NFPA National Fire Protection Association
OES-EOC Office of Emergency Services-Emergency Operations Center

OPEB Other Post Employment Benefits
OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PACE Property Assessed Clean Energy
PARS Public Agencies Retirement Services
PEPRA Public Employees Pension Reform Act
RFI Request For Information
RFP Request For Proposal
RFQ Request For Qualifications
SB Senate Bill
SBE Small Business Enterprise
SEIU Service Employees International Union
SUASI Super Urban Area Security Initiative
SWAT Southwest Area Transportation Committee
TRANSPAC Transportation Partnership & Cooperation (Central)
TRANSPLAN Transportation Planning Committee (East County)
TRE or **TTE** Trustee
TWIC Transportation, Water and Infrastructure Committee
UASI Urban Area Security Initiative
UCOA United Chief Officers Association
vs. versus (against)
WAN Wide Area Network
WBE Women Business Enterprise
WCCTAC West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee



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To: Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Board of Directors
From: Lewis T. Broschard III, Chief, Contra Costa Fire Protection District
Date: March 10, 2020

Subject: Update on Fire Station Construction Projects - March 10, 2020

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ACCEPT a report from the Fire Chief providing a status summary for Contra Costa County Fire Protection District fire station construction projects.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Status report only. No fiscal impact.

BACKGROUND:

At the request of the Contra Costa County Fire Board of Directors, the Fire Chief is providing a report on the status and progress of District fire station construction projects.

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RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **03/10/2020** APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, Director
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David J. Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Contact: Lewis T. Broschard III, Fire
Chief (925) 941-3300

By: June McHuen, Deputy

cc:

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March Construction
Update



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

March 10, 2020

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Lewis T. Broschard III, Fire Chief

RE: Update on Fire Station Construction Projects

- Fire Station 9 – Pacheco

Fire District staff is working collaboratively with the airport and other Public Works staff in order to identify a solution to the drainage issues that have caused delays in obtaining CEQA approval. After a path forward has been identified, we will work toward initiating the lengthy permit process that is necessary for work to take place on the site.

- Fire Station 70 – San Pablo

The lack of winter rain has enabled construction to proceed at a steady pace. Much of the wood framing has been completed. The large steel columns for the apparatus bays are complete. Roof framing will take place next. We are still projecting a spring 2021 opening.

- Fire Station 86 – Bay Point

Building plans have been submitted, and we are in the process of addressing the planning conditions of approval. We are working with Golden State Water Company to bring water to the site. A prequalification process for general contractors is underway in order to establish a list of eligible builders while staff is also exploring financing options. In addition, a selection process for construction managers is underway in partnership with Public Works. Later this spring, the District expects to seek Board authorization to put the project out to bid.



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To: Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Board of Directors
From: Lewis T. Broschard, III, Chief, Contra Costa Fire Protection District
Date: March 10, 2020

Subject: Fire Chief's Report - March 10, 2020

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ACCEPT a report from the Fire Chief providing a status summary for ongoing Fire District activities and initiatives.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

BACKGROUND:

At the request of the Contra Costa County Fire Board of Directors, the Fire Chief is providing a report on the status and progress of the various District initiatives.

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RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

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AGENDA

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March FC Report

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Correspondence Received



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

March 10, 2020

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Lewis T. Broschard III, Fire Chief

RE: Fire Chief's Report

- Evolving "Off" Fire Season. The extended dry spell running from February into March could signal an early start to the fire season. We took the unusual step of dispatching one of our fire dozers to a seven-acre grass fire in East County on February 22. In this case, the fire was accidental which points to the need for residents to be cautious, especially as the dry spell continues.
- Coronavirus Planning. We continue to monitor the situation relative to the spread of this virus with an eye toward protecting our first responders and keeping our employees informed. As this is an evolving issue, discussions regarding continuity of operations, as well as surge capacity for ambulances and fire resources, are taking place in advance of a potential increase in the severity of the spread or impact on the emergency response system within Contra Costa County.

Our ambulance transport system has premade kits on hand for outfitting ambulances to accommodate transports of known infected patients. Personal protective equipment (PPE) for responders is provided following CDC recommendations.

- Academy 54 Update. Academy 54 graduated on February 13 adding 22 new probationary firefighters to our ranks. Since then, they have all begun their respective first company assignments within the District, continuing their fire service professional development under the tutelage of veteran fire captains. After five months in these initial assignments, each probationary firefighter will rotate to a second assignment and have the opportunity to learn from another veteran fire captain.
- Academy 55 Update. Six candidates are in the final pre-employment screening process for the lateral Firefighter-Paramedic Academy. We expect to begin the academy for these experienced firefighter-paramedics on April 13.
- Fire Control Worker Recruitment. Twelve candidates are in the pre-employment screening process for this program. New hires will begin their one-month training on May 1.

- REACH Partnership. We continue to see improvements in total response time and reductions in time for patient transfer into the air ambulance at scenes. This is resulting in a shorter overall time window to get critical patients from a scene and delivered to an appropriate medical care facility. Con Air 1, the larger of our two partnership helicopters, capable of hoist rescue and aerial firefighting, is due to arrive at the Buchanan Field base in mid-March. The aircraft is expected to go into service later this month in an air ambulance-only role. This will provide a second air ambulance operating out of Buchanan Field. Work continues to prepare it for its hoist rescue and aerial firefighting roles with an expected in service date sometime later this summer. At that time, we will conduct a media event to communicate the many benefits of this partnership to the county and larger region these two aircraft serve.
- ET3. We were notified in late February by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) that we were selected to participate in the Emergency Triage, Treat, and Transport (ET3) Model. The five-year payment model is designed to provide greater flexibility to ambulance crews to address the emergency health care needs of Medicare Fee-for-Service beneficiaries following a 911 call. The model is set to begin during the spring of 2020. Although there are current regulatory impediments to full implementation of the model in California, we are working closely with both the County EMS Authority and State EMS Agency to determine if there can be a path forward as a pilot program within the current regulatory framework.



ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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March 9, 2020

The Honorable Candace Andersen
Chair, Board of Directors
Contra Costa County Fire Protection District
651 Pine Street
Martinez CA 94553

Dear Chairwoman Andersen and Honorable Members of the Board:

I am writing on behalf of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association (ACCMA), which represents over 5,000 East Bay physicians, to express concerns about the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (CCFPD) application for the Emergency Treatment, Triage, and Transport (ET3) Program, which was recently selected by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for implementation. This issue will be addressed during the CCFPD Board of Directors meeting scheduled for March 10, 2020 (agenda item D.4.).

First and foremost, as physicians we understand and support the need to continuously evaluate and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our emergency medical services (EMS) system in Contra Costa County. We believe there are opportunities to better utilize resources within our system to improve access to care and alleviate system burdens without reducing the quality of care or compromising patient safety. The ACCMA has enjoyed a long, collaborative relationship with County EMS officials and we have historically appreciated the opportunity to collaborate in efforts to improve the overall system without compromising quality of care or patient safety.

Unfortunately, the ET3 Program application has not benefitted from this same type of collaboration. These types of programs should be developed in an open and transparent manner, with broad input from the local medical community. In fact, any proposals that contemplate a substantial change to EMS policy should be coordinated through our local EMS agency (LEMSA) rather than being pursued directly by the contracted transport provider, and should have the benefit of broad stakeholder input, such as through the Emergency Medical Care Commission (EMCC). To our knowledge, even though CCFPD is a public entity, the application was not publicly available and there was no opportunity given for input from the local medical community and other members of the public. Even after we requested a copy of the ET3 application after it was submitted, we were rebuffed by CCFPD officials and informed that information would be shared publicly only after CMS awarded the project. After we expressed concern about the lack of transparency and collaboration with the local medical community, we were eventually sent a copy of the application to review.

Unfortunately, the application lacks enough information to understand in sufficient detail how the ET3 program will work when implemented in our community. We understand from CCFPD

officials that CCFPD will commence more detailed planning when approval is granted by CMS and other governing bodies to proceed. If CCFPD determines to proceed, we would request that CCFPD's planning process include participation from community physicians and the broader medical community and that it be conducted with the same openness and transparency that has characterized EMS initiatives historically. To the extent ET3 envisions any changes to local EMS policy, we believe these should be coordinated through the LEMSA with broad stakeholder participation and should not be coordinated by the contracted provider itself outside of the auspices of the LEMSA.

We are also concerned about the lack of independent oversight. The application suggest that medical oversight and quality control will primarily be conducted internally by the medical directors of the transport providers, rather than through an independent medical review process. Having the people intimately involved in the project review it to ensure patients and communities are safe presents a conflict of interest. There should be independent third-party oversight that reviews the entire project in general to ensure that quality and safety are not being diminished, and to review specific cases/instances that meet predetermined criteria as being high risk.

At the end of the day, Contra Costa County residents need to be assured that every patient who needs care in an emergency department (ED) will be transported to an ED and not be misdirected to a less appropriate care setting. We appreciate your consideration of these concerns. If you have any questions or would like to discuss our concerns further, please contact Mr. Joseph Greaves, ACCMA Executive Director, at 510-654-5383 or jgreaves@accma.org.

Sincerely,



Katrina Peters, MD
President

CC. David Goldstein, MD, Interim Director, Contra Costa EMS
California Medical Association
American College of Emergency Physicians-California Chapter

Stacey Boyd

From: Joseph Greaves <jgreaves@accma.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 11:26 AM
To: Clerk of the Board
Subject: Public Comment re: Item D.3.

Importance: High

Per the discussion in today's Board of Supervisor's meeting, I am submitting the following comments regarding Item D.3.:

My name is Joe Greaves, I am the Executive Director of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association, representing over 5,000 East Bay physicians. We are appreciative of the leadership and proactive response that County health officials are taking to address this very serious public health threat. As we expect to see increased community spread in Contra Costa County, it is important that guidance also be developed for ambulatory/outpatient providers to manage suspected/possible COVID-19 cases. The types of questions we are receiving from members include:

- What are appropriate/required infection control procedures for outpatient practices?
- Whether patients with respiratory illness who test negative for influenza should be tested for COVID-19 immediately?
- What instructions should be provided to patients and families of patients who are tested? How should providers coordinate with Public Health?
What are the implications for physicians who test/perform specimen collection without CDC recommended infection control procedures in place?
- What are the protocols for referring patients from ambulatory settings to facilities with proper infection control for testing?

It would be helpful to prepare guidance for ambulatory providers to mitigate community spread and protect our physician workforce. Please let us know if there is anything ACCMA can do to help.

Thank you,

Joe Greaves
Executive Director
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To: Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Board of Directors
 From: Lewis T. Broschard III, Chief, Contra Costa Fire Protection District
 Date: March 10, 2020

Subject: Amendment No. 1 to Consulting Service Agreement with Kitchell/CEM for Construction Management Services for Fire Station No. 70 (WH704B)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Fire Chief, or designee, to execute a contract amendment with Kitchell/CEM, effective March 13, 2020, to increase the payment limit by \$200,000 to a new payment limit of \$895,000 and to extend the termination from March 13, 2020 to September 13, 2021 to provide construction management services for Fire Station No. 70 located at 1800 23rd Street in San Pablo.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Fire Station 70 project is being funded out of the District's new capital construction fund (fund 202500). The District is contributing approximately \$10 million to the project from its general operating fund reserves, and the City of San Pablo is contributing \$4.5 million. The District will need to return to the Board prior to the end of the current fiscal year with a budgetary adjustment to realign budgeted amounts with actual Capital Projects Management (Public Works) expenditures.

BACKGROUND:

On March 13, 2018, the Board approved a Consulting Services Agreement with Kitchell/CEM in the amount of \$695,000 with an

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Contact: Lewis T. Broschard III, Fire
 Chief (925) 941-3300

By: June McHuen, Deputy

cc:

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

expiration date of March 13, 2020. Due to underground utility issues, construction began later than planned. As a result of the later start, the duration of this contract needs to be extended to September 2021, and the pay limit needs to be increased to \$895,000. The new expiration date and pay limit assume project completion by late spring or early summer of 2021 with some allowance for potential construction delays.

The new station is being built to house two full three-person crews for potential expansion of services in the future; will include modern seismic standards; and will meet ADA requirements. The station will provide protection for the community over the next fifty years and will provide personnel with the components, systems, and features found in a modern fire station.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the amendment is not approved, construction management support will not be utilized through the completion of construction and close out.



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To: Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Board of Directors
 From: Lewis T. Broschard III, Chief, Contra Costa Fire Protection District
 Date: March 10, 2020

Subject: GEMT QAF Payment to California Department of Health Care Services CY 2019 Q4

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Auditor-Controller, on behalf of the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District, to make a payment to the State of California Department of Health Care Services in the amount of \$521,008.95 for the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation Quality Assurance Fee for ambulance transports provided by the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District in the months of October, November, and December (Quarter 4) of 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT) / Quality Assurance Fee (QAF) program increases the historic base rate of Medi-Cal reimbursement by \$220.80 per transport. The GEMT/QAF program, therefore, increases the per transport reimbursement from the historic base rate of \$118.20 to \$339.00.

To fund this program, the State of California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) began assessing all transport providers within the State of California a fee of \$25.23 per transport effective July 1, 2018. The fee was increased to \$26.07 for payments due on or after July 1, 2019. The increased fee was approved by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on September 6, 2019. The District received the attached invoice from DHCS on February 13, 2020.

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Contact: Jackie Lorrekovich, Chief Admin
 Svcs (925) 941-3300

By: June McHuen, Deputy

cc:

FISCAL IMPACT: (CONT'D)

The fiscal impact will be revenue generating for the District due to the significant number of Medi-Cal transports within the District's ambulance operating area. Medi-Cal is the second highest payer type (second to Medicare). The net revenue the District receives will be calculated by multiplying the \$220.80 per transport uplift for Medi-Cal fee-for-service and Medi-Cal managed care transports less the \$26.07 QAF the District is required to pay on all transports.

The net revenue estimate (uplift less QAF) for the District for 2019 is approximately \$2 million under the current funding and fee parameters.

BACKGROUND:

CMS approved State Plan Amendment (SPA) 18-004 authorizing the GEMT/QAF program in March 2019. The Quality Assurance Fee (QAF) is an add-on fee used to increase Medi-Cal funding. Essentially, emergency medical transportation providers in California must pay this fee on all transports, and in return, providers will receive an uplift that increases the Medi-Cal reimbursement base rate for Medi-Cal fee-for-service and managed care recipients.

CMS approved SPA 19-0020 in September 2019. SPA 19-0200 increased the QAF from \$25.23 per transport to \$26.07 per transport on all payments due July 1, 2019, and thereafter.

This request is for calendar year 2019 quarter four (4) fees (for October-December 2019 transports). The payment is due on or before April 1, 2020. State program representatives indicated there would be no exceptions and late fees may be assessed by the State for payments not received by the due date.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The QAF payment is mandatory for all providers (public and private) within the State. If not paid, the State can assess late payment penalties and withhold provider payments for ambulance services provided to Medi-Cal recipients.

ATTACHMENTS

2019 Q4 GEMT QAF Invoice



RICHARD FIGUEROA
ACTING DIRECTOR

State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
Department of Health Care Services



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GOVERNOR

**Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT)
Quality Assurance Fee (QAF) – Quarterly Payment
Provider Invoice**

Provider Information:	Due Date: 4/1/2020
Name: CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT DHCS Account Number: GEM1316339609	Payment Details:
	Year: 2019 QTR: Q4 Invoice Number: GEM0420H528 Amount Due: \$ 521,008.95

Fiscal Year	Reporting Structure	Account	App Ref	Service Location
2019-20	4260KB0B	4129200	980	80005
Activity	Program	Alt Account	Fund	Project
	9990		3323	

Emergency Transport Type:	Quantity:
Medi-Cal Fee-for-Service	779
Medi-Cal Managed Care	4443
Medicare	6851
Other	5387
Dual Medicare/Medi-Cal	2525
Amount Due	= Sum of Total Transports x QAF Rate (\$26.07)
	= \$ 521,008.95

Payment Instructions:
<p>1. Please use the invoice number provided above to pay via Electronic Funds Transfer (http://dhcs.ca.gov/epay).</p> <p>OR</p> <p>2. Please submit this invoice and payment to: Department of Health Care Services Accounting Section/Cashiers Unit, MS1101 GEMT QAF P.O. Box 997415 Sacramento, CA 95899-7415</p>



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To: Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Board of Directors
From: Lewis T. Broschard III, Chief, Contra Costa Fire Protection District
Date: March 10, 2020

Subject: New Fire Inspection Records Management System

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Fire Chief, or designee, to execute (1) a Master Lease and Services Agreement with Calytera, US, Inc., for fire prevention inspection software and support for the period March 11, 2020, through March 10, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$420,000, and (2) a contract with Vision33 Inc., for implementation, hosting, and support of Calytera Amanda fire inspection software system for the period March 11, 2020, through March 10, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$607,000.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The District budgeted for the implementation, hosting, and support of a new fire inspection records management system in the current fiscal year and will continue to recommend appropriate budgetary appropriations for this project over the next five years. The District's Fire Prevention Bureau charges fees for fire safety inspections, permitting of specific operations, and plan review services. The records management system cost is considered when calculating the fire prevention fees so they reflect the District's actual costs of providing services.

APPROVE

OTHER

RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **03/10/2020** APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, Director
Candace Andersen,
Director
Diane Burgis, Director
Karen Mitchoff, Director
Federal D. Glover, Director

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: March 10, 2020

David J. Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Contact: Chris Bachman, Assistant Fire Chief/Fire Marshal, 925-941-3300

By: June McHuen, Deputy

cc:

BACKGROUND:

The Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (District) conducts fire safety inspections and the permitting of specific operations and plan review services for the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District, in accordance with the California Fire Code (CFC). These operations include annual fire and life safety inspections of occupancies required by the Health and Safety Code and the California State Fire Marshal. Additionally, these operations also include, but are not limited to, life safety inspections, plan review for construction projects, and issuing permits as identified in the CFC for various activities (e.g., operating places of public assembly, schools, adult and child care facilities, and the production and handling of hazardous materials).

The District currently uses a records management system to track inspection data but needs an upgraded and more robust system to improve the quality of the records and allow for the automation of initial data loading and updates. A new records management system was also recommended by the Contra Contra County Civil Grand Jury in a report issued in May 2019. The report was issued subsequent to the ghost ship fire that occurred in Oakland, California.

The software vendor, Calytera, offers Amanda Editions Enterprise software system that provides advanced reporting and analytics and an online public access portal. Vision33 Inc. will implement, host, and support the software.

The Calytera software and services agreement obligates the District to indemnify, defend, and hold Calytera harmless against any claim to the extent arising from the District's gross negligence or willful misconduct, and limits the vendor's liability to the County to the amount County pays under the contract except to the extent of a party's gross negligence or intentional misconduct.

The Vision33 Inc. contract limits the vendor's liability arising out of or in connection with the contract or any deliverables provided to \$1,000,000. Payments are non-refundable except to the extent of any damages finally awarded to District by a court or by way of settlement of a contract dispute.