



Contra
Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Sharon L. Anderson, County Counsel
Date: April 20, 2021

Subject: Approval of Contract Amendment for Specialized Professional Services

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the County Counsel, or her designee, to execute, on behalf of Contra Costa County, a contract amendment for specialized professional services with Ellis Buehler Makus, LLP.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Services will be billed at the hourly rate of \$285-360 per hour for legal and investigatory services

BACKGROUND:

County departments require on-going legal assistance conducting workplace investigations, preparing for anticipated litigation, and providing legal advice. Ellis Buehler Makus has specialized expertise in the area of employment law and litigation. The County entered into a contract with Ellis Buehler Makus on October 1, 2018, for legal assistance to the County in its workplace investigations. Ellis Buehler Makus has increased its rates from 2018. This contract amendment will reflect the increased hourly rates.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **04/20/2021** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

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: April 20, 2021

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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cc:

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The County will be unable to obtain the firm's services.

ATTACHMENTS

Amendment to Contract