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Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Sharon Offord Hymes, Risk Manager
Date: January 11, 2011

Subject: Risk Management Legal Defense Contracts

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the County Risk Manager to execute contracts with selected legal firms for defense of the County in workers' compensation, medical malpractice and civil rights claims for a period of one year effective January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 in accordance with a specified fee schedule for the following: Craddick, Candland & Conti; Edrington, Shirmer & Murphy; John F. Martin; Hanna, Brophy, McLean, et.al.; Thomas, Cartier, Lyding & Gaus; Mullen & Filippi; McNamara, Dodge, Ney, Beatty, et.al.; Gordon, Watrous, Ryan, Langley, Bruno & Paltenghi (GHAD and Legal Services); D'Andre, Peterson, Bobas, et.al.; Corren and McClellan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Legal costs are funded through the Workers' Compensation, Liability and Medical Malpractice Internal Trust Funds.

BACKGROUND:

Legal firms were selected for their experience and expertise in particular areas of legal defense. Risk Management assigns cases to the various firms. The following legal

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/11/2011** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Gayle B. Uilkema, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III 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: January 11, 2011

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

Contact: Sharon Hymes-Offord, Risk
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By: June McHuen, Deputy

cc: Laura Strobel

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

firms selected for defense of claims agree to one-year contracts from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011: Craddick, Candland & Conti; Edrington, Shirmer & Murphy; John F. Martin; Hanna, Brophy, McLean, et.al.; Thomas, Cartier, Lyding & Gaus; Mullen & Filippi; McNamara, Dodge, Ney, Beatty, Etc; Gordon, Watrous, Ryan, Langley, Bruno & Paltenghi (GHAD and Legal Services); D'Andre, Peterson, Bobas, et.al.; and Corren and McClellan.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Risk Management will not be able to utilize the assistance and expertise of outside legal counsel.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

None.