

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

To:Board of SupervisorsFrom:Birgitta E. Corsello, County AdministratorDate:May 21, 2019Subject:Significant Issues Update

1) County Administrator's update on contracts

The County Administrator signed the following contracts within her authority since the last Significant Issues memo, including:

The Department of Health and Social Services – Administrative Services

(1) A service agreement with William Avery and Associates, Inc., to conduct the recruitment for the Assistant Director of Health and Social Services and Deputy Director of Health and Social Services, Employment and Eligibility, \$48,550, from March 26, 2019 to July 14, 2019. The funding sources are Administration allocation of federal, state and local funds for Social Services.

The Department of Health and Social Services – Behavioral Health

- (1) A contract with Priscilla Sobremonte, LMFT, to cover mental health services to Solano County clients provided by MC Network Providers, \$40,000, from April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2021. The funding sources are Federal Short Doyle Medi-Cal and 2011 Realignment funds.
- (2) A contract with Richard Frank, LMFT, to cover mental health services to Solano County clients provided by MC Network Providers, \$40,000, from April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2021. The funding sources are Federal Short Doyle Medi-Cal and 2011 Realignment funds.

The Department of Health and Social Services – Medical Services

- (1) A contract with Greg Facktor and Associates, LLC, to provide Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA) 340B drug pricing program evaluation, \$28,250, from April 15, 2019 to September 15, 2019. The funding source is Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and 1991 Realignment funds.
- (2) A contract with Greg Facktor and Associates, LLC, to provide interim Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA) operations director service, \$46,340, from April 15, 2019 to July 8, 2019. The funding source is Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and 1991 Realignment funds.
- (3) A contract Greg Facktor and Associates, LLC, to provide interim Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA) Operational Site Visit (OSV) preparation, \$64,935, from April 19, 2019 to October 15, 2019. The funding source is Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and 1991 Realignment funds.

The Department of Health and Social Services – Mental Health

- (1) A contract with Firdouse Huq, M.D., to provide psychiatric services, \$56,668, from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The funding source is Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC).
- (2) A contract with Xing Xing Luo, M.D., to provide psychiatric services, \$56,668, from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The funding source is Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC).
- (3) A contract with Hasnain Maqsood, M.D., to provide psychiatric services, \$61,190, from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The funding source is Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC).

The Department of Health and Social Services – Public Authority

(1) A contract with Angelman's Inc., to provide In Home Support Services (IHSS) provider training and work with children with special needs, \$31,200, from April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2021. The funding sources are Federal, State IHSS Administration and County General Fund.

The Department of Health and Social Services – Public Health

- (1) A contract with Sustainable Solano, Inc., to complete their work on the implementation of the local food system, \$40,129, from March 1, 2019 to October 31, 2019. The funding source is the Yocha Dehe Winton Nation grant.
- (2) A contract with Brown-Miller Communications, Inc., to provide media consultation for multiple bureau programs, \$74,725, from March 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019. The funding sources are Federal Substance Abuse Prevention Treatment, Tobacco Prevention and Education and Yocha Dehe Winton Nation grant funding.

The Department of Health and Social Services – Substance Abuse

 A contract with Adolescent Treatment Centers, Inc., to provide youth residential treatment, \$70,000, from February 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The funding source is Federal Substance Abuse block grant funds.

2) Update on Unaccounted Fixed Assets

Pursuant to Government Code Section 24051 and in accordance with the County's Fixed Assets Accountability and Control Policy, each County department head, elected or appointed, is responsible for all property purchased for, assigned to, or otherwise provided to his/her department. Each respective department is responsible for conducting an annual physical inventory of the fixed assets as of June 30, and is required to submit a signed copy of the inventory list to the Auditor-Controller by September 30.

On February 5, 2008, the Board of Supervisors delegated the authority to release a department head from accountability of unaccounted fixed assets to the County Administrator under the following conditions: a) Unaccounted Fixed Asset has a Fair Market Value of less than \$5,000; or b) Fixed Asset is stolen and has a Fair Market Value of less than \$5,000, department has provided a copy of a police report and the CAO has determined no negligence.

The Fixed Asset Inventory for FY2017/18 identified one unaccounted item, a "Crash Kit," reported by the Department of Information Technology, which was purchased on August 20, 1997, is more than five years old with a historical cost of \$29,290.

The fair market value of the unaccounted item is \$0.00 and therefore meets the requirements of the authority delegated to the CAO. The Auditor-Controller's Office has reminded the department of the County's Fixed Asset Policy as it relates to disposition of assets. The County Administrator's Office is working with the affected department to determine final disposition.

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3) Update on Groundwater Subbasin Priority

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) prioritizes groundwater subbasins throughout California based on a variety of factors and ranks these subbasins from very low, medium, high, and critical priority. The 2015 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) requires groundwater subbasins designated as medium, high, or critical priority by the DWR to be managed by Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs). DWR routinely evaluates the priority rankings of groundwater subbasins on a five-year basis or because of basin boundary modifications. Within Solano County, two groundwater subbasins, Napa-Sonoma Lowlands located in western portion of the County, and the Solano Subbasin located in the eastern half of the County were ranked by DWR as very low and medium priority, respectively.

During the June 26, 2018 meeting at Solano County Board of Supervisors, information was presented regarding a proposal by DWR to increase the priority ranking of both groundwater subbasins in Solano County. The Napa-Sonoma Lowlands was proposed to increase from very low to medium priority, which would involve the formation one or more GSAs within two years and require these GSAs to establish Groundwater Sustainability Plan(s) within five years to come into compliance with SGMA to manage the groundwater resources in the Napa-Sonoma Lowlands Subbasin.

The DWR also proposed to increase the Solano Subbasin from medium to high priority. The increase in priority ranking for the Solano Subbasin has no change in regulatory requirements since there are multiple GSAs established within the Solano Subbasin and these GSAs are collaborating on developing a basin-wide Groundwater Sustainability Plan due January 31, 2022.

In April 2019, in response to public comments and based on recent basin boundary modifications DWR proposed to maintain the priority ranking of the Napa-Sonoma Lowlands as very low priority and therefore not subject to SGMA requirements.

DWR proposes the final designation of the Solano Subbasin to be ranked as high primarily due to: reduced geographical size of the Subbasin compared to the overall reliance of groundwater, and some localized areas that have declining groundwater levels, and limited subsidence identified within the Solano Subbasin. Evaluation of localized impacts will be addressed in the basin-wide Groundwater Sustainability Plan that is currently under development by the Solano Subbasin GSAs.

DWR is accepting comments on the proposed final priority rankings until May 30, 2019 through the DWR website: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/sgma2019basinprioritization</u>. Solano County staff is working with the Solano Subbasin GSA to provide comments on the proposed high priority designation of the Solano Subbasin.

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