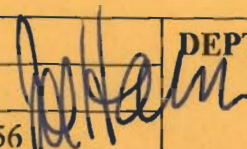


**EL DORADO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL
Meeting of April 26, 2011**

AGENDA TITLE: Retention of Gallina LLP as the County's Independent Auditor	
DEPARTMENT: Auditor-Controller	DEPT SIGNOFF: 
CONTACT: Joe Harn	CAO USE ONLY:
DATE: 4/13/2011	PHONE: 5456
DEPARTMENT SUMMARY AND REQUESTED BOARD ACTION: The Auditor-Controller recommends that the Board of Supervisors retain Gallina, LLP of Roseville to conduct the County's independent audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, and authorize the Board Chariman to sign Amendment I to contract #491-S1011 in an amount not to exceed \$71,250 after it has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel and Risk Management.	
CAO RECOMMENDATIONS:	
Financial impact? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes () No	Funding Source: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gen Fund () Other
BUDGET SUMMARY:	Other:
Total Est. Cost \$71.250.00	CAO Office Use Only:
Funding	4/5's Vote Required () Yes () No
Budgeted \$0.00	Change in Policy () Yes () No
New Funding _____	New Personnel () Yes () No
Savings _____	CONCURRENCES:
Other _____	Risk Management
Total Funding \$0.00	County Counsel
Change in Net County Cost	Other
*Explain	
BOARD ACTIONS:	
Vote: Unanimous _____ Or _____	I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered into the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Date: _____ Attest: Suzanne Allen de Sanchez, Board of Supervisors Clerk By: _____
Ayes:	
Noes:	
Abstentions:	
Absent:	



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April 13, 2011

Board of Supervisors
330 Fair Lane
Placerville, California 95667

Subject: Retention of Gallina LLP as the County's Independent Auditor

Agenda Date: April 26, 2011

Dear Board Members:

Recommendation

The Auditor-Controller recommends that the Board of Supervisors retain Gallina LLP of Roseville to conduct the County's independent audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, for a fee of \$71,250 and authorize the Board Chairman to sign Amendment I to Agreement for Services #491-S1011 with Gallina LLP, after County Counsel and Risk Management have reviewed it.

Reason for Recommendation

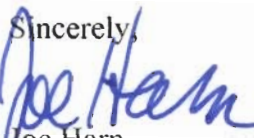
Gallina LLP performed the County's independent audit for the year ended June 30, 2009 for a fee of \$80,970. The firm reduced their fee to \$75,000 to perform the audit services for the year ended June 30, 2010. Gallina LLP has offered to reduce their fee to \$71,250 if we contract with them to perform the audit for the year ending June 30, 2011.

Gallina LLP, formally Bartig, Basler and Ray, have been the County's external auditor since 2004. While there are benefits to be achieved by a fresh look by a different firm, it also has its drawback in that engaging a new firm would have a significant impact on county staff time.

Auditing services are considered a "special services" as described in section 3.12.160 of the County's Purchasing Ordinance and section 31000 of the Government Code, and accordingly are exempt from any competitive procurement requirements.

Fiscal Impact

The cost of the audit services will be included in the FY 2011/2012 budget appropriations.

Sincerely,

Joe Harn,
Auditor-Controller