



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 24-0924, **Version:** 1

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District Attorney recommending the Board:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Purchasing Agency to execute Amendment III to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) 5686 with the County of Sacramento District Attorney in the amount of \$125,000 for as-needed toxicology analysis, biology/DNA, and related expert testimony, extending the agreement term covering period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and updating the scope of work to include trace analysis;
- 2) Make findings in accordance with County Ordinance 3.13.030 that it is appropriate to contract with the County of Sacramento District Attorney for services provided under MOU 5686 because (B) "Specialty skills and qualifications not expressly identified in classifications are involved in the performance of the work" and (E) "The work is with or among any other governmental entities or agencies"; and
- 3) Approve and authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute any future amendments to MOU 5686 that do not alter the total amount nor term of the agreement beyond the option to renew up to 5 years, upon County Counsel and Risk Management review and approval.

**FUNDING:** General Fund.

### **DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND**

On June 29, 2021, with Legistar file 21-0933, the Board approved the Purchasing Agent to execute MOU 5686 with the County of Sacramento District Attorney in the amount of \$125,000 with an initial agreement term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, with the option for annual renewal up to 5 years, to provide as-needed toxicology analysis, biology/DNA, and related expert testimony. Since the inception of the MOU, annual amendments have been executed to extend the term of the agreement as allowable under the original MOU. Amendment III will be year 4 within the 5 year annual renewal term, and shall cover period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

Additionally, MOU 5686 Amendment III will update the scope of work to include trace analysis services, which will allow for additional testing to be conducted on evidence suspected of containing hairs, unidentified fibers, and or other materials.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

Should the Board opt not to approve the Purchasing Agency to execute Amendment III to MOU 5686 with the County of Sacramento District Attorney; the District Attorney's Office will not be able to continue obtaining DNA testing services.

### **PRIOR BOARD ACTION**

06/29/2021 Legistar file 21-0933 - The Board approved and authorized the Purchasing Agent to execute MOU 5686 with the County of Sacramento District Attorney.

### **OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT**

Procurement & Contracts, County Counsel

**CAO RECOMMENDATION / COMMENTS**

Approve as recommended.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no change to Net County Cost associated with the execution of Amendment III to MOU 5686. Anticipated costs have been included on the FY 2024-25 recommended budget.

**CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS**

N/A

**STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT**

N/A

**CONTACT**

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