



Legislation Text

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Sheriff's Office recommending the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign Amendment I to Agreement 249-S1511 with National Medical Services, Inc., to increase the not to exceed amount to \$135,000 for forensic analysis and toxicology services for the term November 1, 2014 to October 31, 2016, subject to final approval by Risk Management.

FUNDING: General Fund.

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

The Sheriff's Office recommends the Board approve this Amendment I to Agreement # 249-S1511. National Medical Services, Inc., provides critical forensic and toxicology services that are paramount to verifying the cause of death in Coroner cases.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

National Medical Services Inc. has been providing selected forensic analyses and toxicology services for the El Dorado County Sheriff, Coroner's Division since 2002.

This Amendment will increase the not to exceed amount to \$135,000 to cover the invoices through the end of the term of the Agreement. The forensic and toxicology services that are provided in this contract vary depending on Coroner caseloads. During this contract term, we experienced a 17% increase in forensic cases compared to the prior contract term, resulting in the need to increase the contract's maximum compensation.

The Board's approval is contingent upon final approval by Risk Management of the vendor's insurance certificates. The vendor has been in compliance with the insurance provisions of the agreement; however, at the time of submittal of this staff report, one endorsement on the policy had not been received; as a result, Risk Management had not yet fully approved the agreement pending its receipt of that endorsement.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

N/A

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Approve as recommended.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

No Change to Net County Cost. This expense is budgeted in the Sheriff's annual operating budget, and will continue to be budgeted in following years.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

Return one fully executed copy to Sheriff's Office for distribution to contractor.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

Public Safety

CONTACT

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