



Legislation Text

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Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Division, recommending the Board consider the following:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Agreement for Services 182-S1611 with NBS Government Finance Group, for the provision of annual tax roll billing consulting services for County Service Areas 3 and 7, for the term commencing upon execution through December 31, 2018, with a maximum contractual obligation of \$120,000; and
- 2) Authorize the Purchasing Agent, or designee, to execute further documents relating to Agreement for Services 182-S1611, including amendments which do not increase the maximum dollar amount or term of the Agreement, and contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management.

FUNDING: County Service Areas 3 and 7.

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) recommends the County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors approve and authorize the Chair to sign Agreement for Services 182-S1611 with NBS Government Finance Group in order for HHSA to place the CSA 7 and CSA 3 West Shore Special Tax and CSA 3 South Shore Benefit Assessment on the annual tax roll. The services provided by NBS Government Finance Group are necessary to establish the applicable fees on each parcel within the County on the tax roll. Without contracting for these services, the County will be unable to place the special taxes and benefit assessments on the tax roll, effectively eliminating the ability to collect an estimated \$2.3 million in special taxes and benefit assessments, specifically designated for ambulance services.

Additionally, HHSA has determined, in accordance with County Ordinance Section 3.13.030, it is more economical and feasible to engage an independent contractor for annual tax roll billing consultation services on an as needed basis.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

Government Code (GC) Section 25210 et seq., also known as the County Service Area Law, establishes the authority and method for counties to finance and provide needed public facilities and services. Accordingly, County Service Area (CSA) 3 and CSA 7 were established to help ensure appropriate and needed ambulance services in the areas of South Lake Tahoe (CSA 3) and the western slope of El Dorado County (CSA 7).

CSA 3 was established on January 21, 1963 for the purpose of providing extended services, namely mosquito abatement, via Resolution No. 9-63. In 1982, the Board of Supervisors amended the authority of CSA 3, through Resolution No. 210-82, to include extended ambulance services to be provided within the unincorporated area of CSA 3.

The creation of CSA 7 was approved by County voters via an election on November 2, 1976 and was formally established by the Board of Supervisors on December 7, 1976 through Resolution No. 316-76. A Special Tax to fund fire-based advanced life support ambulance services within CSA 7 was

created through Resolution 172-97 which was adopted on July 22, 1997 and approved by County voters on November 4, 1997.

NBS Government Finance Group provides Special Tax and Benefit Assessment consulting services that will enable HHSA to place the CSA 7 and CSA 3 West Shore Special Tax and CSA 3 South Shore Benefit Assessment on the annual tax roll. Special Tax and Benefit Assessment consulting services were previously provided through a contract with Mr. Larry Klaus. Mr. Klaus is no longer providing consulting services.

ALTERNATIVES

Disapproval of Agreement for Services 182-S1611 will result in HHSA's inability to place the CSA 7 and CSA 3 West Shore Special Tax and CSA 3 South Shore Benefit Assessment on the annual tax roll, resulting in a decrease in revenue that directly funds the Advanced Life Support (ALS) transport contracted services provided in these communities.

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

County Counsel, Risk Management, Procurement and Contracts, and Human Resources.

CAO RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve this item.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no Net County Cost associated with this Agenda item.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

1. Clerk of the Board to obtain signature of Chair on two (2) original Agreements for Services 182-S1611.
2. Clerk of the Board to return one (1) fully executed Agreement to HHSA at 3057 Briw Road.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

N/A

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