

Legislation Text

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Health and Human Services Agency recommending the Board:

1) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Agreement for Services 3396 with NBS Government Finance Group, for the provision of annual tax roll billing consulting services for County Service Areas 3 and 7, in the amount of \$120,000, for the term of 3 years from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021; and

2) Make findings in accordance with County Ordinance 3.13.030 that it is more economical and feasible to contract with NBS Government Finance Group, for services provided under this Agreement 3396 because services are provided on an as needed basis; and

3) Authorize the Purchasing Agent, or their designee, to execute further documents relating to Agreement for Services 3396 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 **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 Areas (CSA) 3 and 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.

The County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors approved Agreement for Services 182-S1611 with NBS Government Finance Group (NBS) on December 15, 2015 (File ID: 15-1381; Agenda No.17); therefore, NBS currently provides Special Tax and Benefit Assessment consulting services that enable the Health and Human Services Agency (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. This Agreement 3396 will continue those services for an additional 3 year term.

# ALTERNATIVES:

Should the Board decline to approve this recommendation, HHSA would need to find another means

to place the CSA 7 and CSA 3 West Shore Special Tax and CSA 3 South Shore Benefit Assessment on the annual tax roll; not doing so would result in a decrease in revenue that directly funds the Advanced Life Support (ALS) transport contracted services provided in these communities.

# PRIOR BOARD ACTION:

1) 12/15/15, 15-1381, HHSA NBS Agreement

## OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Approved by County Counsel, Risk Management, and Human Resources.

#### CAO RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board approve this item.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This Agreement for Services is a renewal of a prior year agreement and continues to be funded with CSA 3 and CSA 7 revenue. There is a 3% increase in the annual tax roll billing rate each fiscal year, and the additional services rates have increased by 10%. Sufficient appropriations were included in the fiscal year 2018-19 budget, and will be included in future budgets for the term of the Agreement.

## CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

 Clerk of the Board to obtain signature of Chair on two (2) original Agreements for Services 3396.
Clerk of the Board to return one (1) fully executed Agreement to HHSA Contracts Unit at 3057 Briw Road.

## STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT:

N/A

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