



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Amendment to Agreement with Van Dermiden Maddox Corporation for Complaint Investigation Legal Services

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers Amending an Agreement with Van Dermiden Maddux Corporation to the not to exceed amount of \$70,000.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion approving an amendment to the agreement with the Van Dermiden Maddux Law Corporation for Complaint Investigation Legal Services not to exceed the amount of \$70,000, and authorize the City Manager or Assistant City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve as recommended by staff; or,
2. Approve, subject to modification as conditioned by the City Council; or,
3. Refer to staff for reconsideration of specific items; or,
4. Continue to a future meeting; or,
5. Disapprove.

AUTHORITY

City of Merced Charter section 200.
Merced Municipal Code section 3.04

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Not Applicable.

DISCUSSION

In April 2017, the City entered into an Agreement with Van Dermiden Maddox Law Corporation for confidential complaint investigation services. The original contract amount was \$29,000. During the course of the investigation facts arose which warranted an expansion of the scope and length of the investigation. The investigation has now concluded, however the services of the investigator continue to be needed for an upcoming City personnel board hearing, and any post- hearing processes.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

Sufficient funding is available in the FY 2018/19 adopted Budget. No additional budget appropriation

is needed.