

Setting the Standard in Health Care Excellence

February 11, 2020

Board of Supervisors County of Ventura 800 South Victoria Avenue Ventura, CA 93003

## SUBJECT

Approval of, and Authorization for the County of Ventura Purchasing Agent or Designee to Sign, a Contract with Lean Health Care Associates, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$155,000, for Services of Former County Employee Jennifer Wortham Through July 31, 2020.

# **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That your Board, pursuant to County Administrative Policy Manual, Chapter VIII(A), Policy No. 16, approve and authorize the Purchasing Agent or designee to sign a contract with Lean Health Care Associates (LHCA), a California corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$155,000, for the services of Jennifer Wortham, a former employee of the County of Ventura (County), through July 31, 2020.

## FISCAL /MANDATES IMPACT

#### **HCA ADMINISTRATION BU #3000:**

Mandatory:

No

Source of Funding:

General Fund

Funding Match Required:

None

Impact on Other Departments:

NA

### Summary of Annual Revenues and Costs:

	FY2019-20	FY2020-21	
Revenue:	-0-	-0-	
Direct Costs:	<b>\$129,167</b>	\$25,833	
Indirect Costs:	-0-	-0-	
Net County Cost	\$129,167	\$25,833	

# **CURRENT YEAR FISCAL BUDGET**

FY 2019-20 Budget Projections for HCA Administration #3000					
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Actual	Estimated (Savings/ Deficit)	
Appropriations	\$3,700,000	3,711,136	3,711,136	\$0	
Revenue	\$1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	\$0	
Net County Cost	\$2,700,000	\$2,711,136	\$2,711,136	\$0	

Sufficient revenues and appropriations are included in the FY 19-20 adjusted budget.

# DISCUSSION

Jennifer Wortham was employed by the County until February 10, 2020, as the Chief Deputy Director Strategy and Growth for the Ventura County Health Care Agency (HCA). Ms. Wortham has resigned from County service, but HCA wishes to retain her services through the end of July 2020 to complete several projects. The proposed contract is for a term commencing on execution through July 31, 2020 and provides for payment of fees by the County upon LHCA's completion of specified deliverables that include a detailed work plan; feasibility study and business plan for a comprehensive health care campus at the Harvest at Limoneira housing development site in Santa Paula; strategic plan for the County's health care system; a strategy deployment model; feasibility study and business plan for a County-sponsored PACE (Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) program; and completion of a "Healthiest Community 2030" population health model for the County.

The County's policy concerning personal services contracts is set forth in Chapter VIII(A), Policy No. 16 of the Ventura County Administrative Policy Manual. This policy requires that any personal services contract awarded to an individual who has resigned or been terminated from County employment within the preceding 12 months be authorized by your Board.

The HCA desires to engage Ms. Wortham, through LHCA, to provide services in order to benefit from Ms. Wortham's specific experience in working in the project areas for which she will be providing services, knowledge of the health care market and relationships with community partners. Because the contract with LHCA is for the services of Ms. Wortham and she only recently separated from her employment with the County, the County's policy requires that it be approved by your Board.

This letter has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, County Counsel, Auditor-Controller's Office, and General Services Agency Procurement Services. If you have any questions regarding these recommendations, please contact William Foley, Health Care Agency Director, at (805) 677-5110.

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**HCA Chief Financial Officer** 

William Foley HCA Director

Exhibit 1 - Contract with Lean Health Care Associates