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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Tracy Schulze - Auditor-Controller

Auditor - Controller

REPORT BY: Tracy Schulze, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER - 299-1733

SUBJECT: Agreement with Hyas Group LLC for Financial Advisory Services on Deferred Compensation Plan

RECOMMENDATION

Auditor-Controller requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign an agreement with the Hyas Group LLC beginning January 1, 2016 for a term of three years, with a provision to extend two additional years, for financial advisory services for the County's Deferred Compensation Plan.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The annual contract amount is \$35,000 and remains a fixed cost for the term of the contract.

Hyas Group LLC is not a local vendor.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

Yes

Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? Deferred Compensation Budget Unit 10520-01

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: The Deferred Compensation Plan receives a revenue share from the plan to

cover administrative costs. These funds are restricted to administering and maintaining the employee plan. Contracting for Financial Advisory Services is

an appropriate use of these funds.

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: The contract has a fee of \$35,000 each year for up to five years.

Consequences if not approved: The Deferred Compensation committee would not have the expertise to assist

in making the best prudent choices for investments regarding employee 457

and 401(a) retirement plans.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan