NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Stacie McCambridge for Geoff Belyea - Fire Chief
County Fire Department
REPORT BY: Stacie McCambridge, Associate Governmental Program Analyst - (707) 299-1465
SUBJECT: Professional Service Contract for Ladder Testing - FailSafe

RECOMMENDATION
County Fire Chief requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign an agreement with Failsafe Testing for a maximum of $15,000 for the term August 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, with an automatic renewal provision, to provide annual ladder testing and repair for the Napa County Fire Department.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
The authorization of this agreement with Failsafe Testing provides for annual inspections, testing and repairs to ground and aerial ladders used amongst the Napa County Fire fleet and fire personnel.

FISCAL IMPACT
Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes
Is it currently budgeted? Yes
Where is it budgeted? County Fire Department
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Mandatory
Is the general fund affected? No
Future fiscal impact: This inspection is completed annually. County Fire will continue to budget for inspecting, testing, and repairing of its ladder inventory.
Consequences if not approved: Not approving this contract would hamper the fire departments efforts in the
annual inspection of the ground and aerial ladders inventory. Annual inspections are needed to meet current NFPA Safety Standards.

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
Per the NFPA standards, the standard specifies requirements for the use, maintenance, inspection, and service testing of fire department ground and aerial ladders in order to provide safety for fire fighters and victims during the use of the ladders. There are a set of performance requirements against which ladders are to be certified.

This agreement provides for inspections, testing and repairs to the Napa County Fire Department ground and aerial ladders. The vendor, Failsafe Testing, offers both testing, maintenance and repair on site. The County has worked with Failsafe in the past and is requesting their services once again.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS
None

CEO Recommendation: Approve
Reviewed By: Helene Franchi