



CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
RDA SUCCESSOR AGENCY OVERSIGHT BOARD

AGENDA

MARCH 9, 2016 - 8:00 A.M.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
CARL MAY COMMUNITY CENTER
11711 West Drive, Desert Hot Springs, California

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MINUTES

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Comments are limited to the first ten (10) speakers at three (3) minutes per speaker. All comments are to be directed to the RDA Successor Agency Oversight Board and shall be devoid of any personal attacks. Members of the public are expected to maintain a professional, courteous decorum during public comments.

DISCUSSIONS/PRESENTATIONS

- 1. General and Legislative Updates**
Program and Financial Specialist, Linda Kelly

ADMINISTRATIVE CALENDAR

- 2. Continuation of Legal Services with Barry Schultz**
Program and Financial Specialist, Linda Kelly
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the Desert Hot Springs Successor Agency Oversight Board in the amount of \$30,000.00; OR

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BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

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REPORT TO THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY OVERSIGHT BOARD



DATE: March 9, 2016

TITLE: Continuation of Legal Services with Barry Schultz

Prepared by: Linda Kelly, Program and Financial Specialist

Reviewed by: Robert Lee, Assistant City Attorney

RECOMMENDATION

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BACKGROUND

In May 2012 a Request for Proposals ("RFP") was mailed to local Coachella Valley law firms specializing in municipal law, as well as to firms in Riverside and Los Angeles counties. The RFP was also posted to the website of the City of Desert Hot Springs for sixty (60) days.

The Successor Agency to the Desert Hot Springs Redevelopment Agency ("Successor Agency") received a total of two (2) proposals and based on the overall background of the firms that submitted a proposal, the Successor Agency selected Stutz Artiano Shinhoff & Holtz (the "Firm") as the firm to perform legal services on behalf of the Successor Agency's Oversight Board ("Oversight Board"). The Firm's original contract was executed on July 11, 2012 in the amount of \$30,000.00.

DISCUSSION

Mr. Schultz recently left the Firm and has joined a new law firm called Devaney Pate Morris and Cameron, LLP. Mr. Schultz and his new firm have agreed to continue servicing the Oversight Board in the same capacity. Riverside County will not be taking over the "board requirements" from the local agencies, including the Oversight Board, until sometime in 2017 or possibly later, which means the Oversight Board will continue to need legal services until that time.

Staff is recommending that the Oversight Board approve the continuation of services with the existing attorney, Mr. Schultz, and his new firm and direct staff to move forward with a professional services agreement in the amount of \$30,000.00 with a term from April 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Successor Agency has budgeted sufficient funding in the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 budget which was approved by the City Council in June 2015. The Oversight Board has also approved the funding for their services in each ROPS period through June 30, 2017.

EXHIBIT(S)

None.

