

ANALYSIS/DISCUSSION:

Since May of 2018, much of Mr. Candy's work has been for the benefit of all PHWA member agencies. Given the great degree of alignment between PHWA member agencies on all GSP-related issues, it is appropriate to expand Mr. Candy's role to represent all of PHWA. As the development of the Ordinance and GSP enter its final phase, having expert legal guidance will be an asset for the Agency.

Attached for Board consideration is a proposed agreement for legal services which would appropriate \$35,000 with a term through December 31, 2019. Per the language of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, the Fox Canyon GMA must have an adopted GSP in place by January 31, 2020. It is anticipated that much of Mr. Candy's work on behalf of the Agency would be completed by the end of calendar year 2019.

The agreement also contains a conflict of interest waiver, which would allow Mr. Candy to represent the Beach District in the future, in the event that the Beach District wishes to retain Mr. Candy for any issues regarding PHWA or the GSP process.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$35,000 in legal services to be programmed into FY 2018 – 2019 Budget. Any remaining contract funds will be requested in FY 2019 – 2020 Operating Budget.

ATTACHMENT:

- 1) Agreement for Professional Services

