



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
**Inter-Departmental Correspondence**  
**Board of Supervisors**



**DATE:** March 31, 2015  
**BOARD MEETING DATE:** April 14, 2015  
**SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING:** No  
**VOTE REQUIRED:** Majority

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Carole Groom, Board President

**SUBJECT:** Amendment to Agreement with John C. Beiers for Services as County Counsel

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing and directing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with John C. Beiers for services as County Counsel.

**BACKGROUND:**

John C. Beiers was appointed County Counsel by this Board on March 20, 2011. By Resolution 072058, this Board entered into a four year contract with John C. Beiers for services as County Counsel effective July 10, 2012 and continuing until July 9, 2016. Since his appointment in 2011 and continuing through the performance of his current contract, Mr. Beiers has provided excellent service to the County and to this Board.

**DISCUSSION:**

Counties throughout the state, pursuant to Government Code section 27641, customarily enter into contracts with their County Counsel for four year terms. Contracting with Mr. Beiers for an additional four year term will provide continuity to his position, which in turn provides stable legal representation for the County.

The Amendment to the Agreement provides that Mr. Beiers will be employed for an additional four year term as County Counsel commencing at the end of his current term. At the end of the additional four years, he may continue service on terms determined by the parties at that time. The Agreement, which is only amended as to its length, serves to memorialize and continue without change the salary, compensation and benefits that Mr. Beiers currently receives as a Department Head.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This action will have no new fiscal impact.