



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
October 29, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager
Submitted by: Andrew R. Greenwood, Chief of Police
Subject: Contract No. 10742 Amendment: Redwood Toxicology Services for Drug and Alcohol Testing

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend Contract No. 10742 and any necessary future amendments with Redwood Toxicology Services for drug and alcohol testing for the Police Department, increasing the amount by \$200,000 for a total not to exceed amount of \$250,000 subject to the City's annual budget appropriation process.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the recommendation would increase the contract amount, currently at \$50,000, to \$250,000. Funding for this expense is allocated via General Fund budget code 011-71-705-820-0000-000-421-612990.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The Police Department's use of Redwood Toxicology Lab's service in furtherance of Driving Under the Influence investigations has resulted in costs above the contract's authorized \$50,000 expenditure amount. The funding for this contract is nearly depleted. The need for services varies annually but usage has increased since the contract began on September 1, 2017.

BACKGROUND

Redwood Toxicology Services provides drug and alcohol analyses such as forensic alcohol and drug tests, as well as case analyses, consultation and testimony services.

This contract satisfies the requirement for the Police Department to properly collect, preserve and document the evidence as required by state law and the courts.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Redwood Toxicology is in compliance with State mandates requiring that alcohol and drug testing samples and supplies are handled and disposed of in an environmentally appropriate manner.

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Attachment:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT NO. 10742 AMENDMENT: REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY SERVICES FOR
FORENSIC ANALYSIS SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Berkeley Police Department is responsible for emergency response and investigations involving safety and drug-related crimes within the City of Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, the Berkeley Police Department is required to obtain forensic alcohol, alcohol plus drugs, and related tests for Driving Under the Influence investigations as required by state law and the courts; and

WHEREAS, the Redwood Toxicology Services maintains trained and experienced forensic toxicology scientists and technicians to perform forensic toxicology services, and furnish all supplies to the Berkeley Police Department; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the current Police Department's General Fund budget code 011-71-705-820-0000-000-421-612990 for these services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to amend Contract No. 10742 and any future amendments, with Redwood Toxicology Services for forensic toxicology services to the Berkeley Police Department increasing the contract by \$200,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$250,000 subject to the City's annual budget appropriation process.

