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DATE: June 23, 2022

TO: Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors
Jeffrey V. Smith, M.D., J.D., County Executive

FROM: Martha Wapenski, Deputy County Executive

SUBJECT: Update on the Public Safety and Justice Committee Alternatives to Incarceration Workgroups Informal Competitive Procurement

This is a follow-up to the off-agenda report submitted to the Board of Supervisors on March 18, 2022 (Attachment A) relating to the status of the Public Safety and Justice Committee Alternatives to Incarceration Workgroups. On the January 25, 2022 (Item No. 13), the Board of Supervisors approved a series of special Public Safety and Justice Committee meetings and workgroups designed to develop implementation plans around community-based alternatives to incarceration (ATI).

In March 2022, Administration moved forward with the Informal Competitive Process (ICP) to contract with a consultant to facilitate the ATI work, as outlined in the workplan approved by the Board on January 25, 2022. Through this competitive solicitation process, Resource Development Associates (RDA) was awarded the ATI Workgroups contract. Below is a description of the selected consultant and information on their previous experience providing facilitation and research work on justice-related issues, such as intervention, re-entry, and diversion.

Resource Development Associates:

- **Description:**
 - Oakland-based, woman-owned small business
 - Provides full-service consultancy through an integrated approach to facilitation and engagement, assessment and planning, implementation support, and research and evaluation.

- Dedicated to working toward a just and equitable society by partnering with diverse stakeholders in addressing barriers to individual, organizational, and community well-being.
- Works with clients and communities across vital intersecting health and human service sectors, including public safety, adult and juvenile justice, public and behavioral health.
- RDA's proposed team possesses extensive experience in multiple and in other counties and states working on justice-related issues, such as intervention, re-entry, and diversion.
- **Previous Experience:**
 - Extensive experience supporting Santa Clara County agencies across the full spectrum of our services. Since 2010, RDA has supported projects within the Office of Reentry Services; the Santa Clara Valley Health and Hospital System (SCVHHS), which includes the Behavioral Health Services Department (BHSD), Public Health Department, Santa Clara Valley Medical Center hospital and clinics, Custody Health Services Department and other County departments.
 - Experience in multiple counties working on justice-related issues such as intervention, re-entry, and diversion and can leverage this experience to bring best practices expertise to this project.
 - **Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services Care First, Jails Last Facilitation and Planning Support:** In early 2022, the County contracted RDA to facilitate and coordinate meetings of the 25-member Alameda County Care First, Jails Last Task Force.
 - **Contra Costa County Probation Department Office of Reentry and Justice Planning and Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council Facilitation:** Since 2014, Contra Costa County has contracted RDA to provide services for multiple justice-related initiatives. From 2014 through 2018, RDA worked with Contra Costa County Administrator's Office to annually evaluate and develop the AB 109 Annual Report, and with the Contra Costa County Office of Reentry and Justice (ORJ) to conduct needs assessments, facilitation, and planning for a Reentry Strategic Plan. Since August 2018, RDA has also worked with the Probation Department and the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) to develop consolidated annual plans in compliance with the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act Youth Offender Block Grant (JJCPA-YOBG).
 - **Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Services Department Psychiatric Emergency Response Team and Peer Linkage Project**

Evaluation: Since 2019, RDA has been evaluating BHSD's Psychiatric Emergency Response Team (PERT) and Peer Linkage Project.

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DATE: March 18, 2022

TO: Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors
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SUBJECT: Status Update on Tres Lunas Consulting relating to the Public Safety and Justice Committee Alternatives to Incarceration Workgroups

On the January 25, 2022 (Item No. 13), the Board of Supervisors approved delegation of authority to the County Executive, or designee, to negotiate, execute, amend, and/or terminate an Agreement with Tres Lunas, LLC to facilitate a series of special Public Safety and Justice Committee meetings and workgroups designed to develop implementation plans around community-based alternatives to incarceration (ATI).

Since January 25, 2022, Administration was working with Tres Lunas to negotiate and execute this agreement. On March 15, 2022, Tres Lunas Consulting contacted County Administration to communicate that their organization would no longer continue in the contract negotiation process. While County Administration provided an opportunity for Tres Lunas to re-engage in the negotiations, Tres Lunas decided in the end to withdraw from the process.

Therefore, County Administration will move forward with the Informal Competitive Procurement (ICP) Process to locate a consultant to facilitate the ATI work, as outlined in the workplan approved by the Board on January 25, 2022. At this time, staff is working on processing the ICP quickly and developing a timeline for the contracting process. More information on this contract process and timeline will be provided as it becomes available.

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