



## STAFF REPORT

**To:** ESCOG Joint Powers Authority

**From:** Elaine Kabala, ESCOG Staff

**Subject:** Approve: 1) First Amendment to Consultant Services Agreement #SBC-2023111\_ESCOG, and  
2) Second Amendment to Consultant Services Agreement #SBC-2023111\_ESCOG

**Meeting date:** April 24, 2024

**Prepared on:** April 18, 2024

**Attachments:** A) First Amendment to Consultant Services Agreement #SBC-2023111\_ESCOG  
B) Second Amendment to Consultant Services Agreement #SBC-2023111\_ESCOG

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### **BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

The ESCOG provides consulting services to the Sierra Business Council (SBC) in support of the California Jobs First (formerly Community Economic Resilience Fund).

The first proposed contract amendment amends the billing rate included in the original MOU from \$75.00 to ESCOG's actual billing rate of \$77.63 per hour, which has been the reimbursement rate since May 2023.

The second proposed contract amendment extends the term of the contract from July 31, 2024 to August 31, 2024 and increases the fee and payment from \$250,000 to \$350,000. The following additions are made to the Scope of Work:

5. ESCOG will assist with identifying community benefit organizations to co-facilitate community engagement to inform development of the Sierra Jobs First Regional Economic Development Strategy document and identify potential projects and partnerships for the Catalyst Funding phase.

6. ESCOG will assist with identifying relevant industry sectors organizations and

partnerships to inform development of the Sierra Jobs First Regional Economic Development Strategy document and identify potential projects and partnerships for the Catalyst Funding phase.

7. ESCOG will assist with the drafting and development of the Sierra Jobs First Regional Economic Development Strategy document as requested by SBC.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

None.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

ESCOG Counsel Grace Chuchla has reviewed this item and found that it complies with the law.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the ESCOG Board approve 1) the First Amendment to Consultant Services Agreement #SBC-2023111\_ESCOG and 2) the Second Amendment to Consultant Services Agreement #SBC 2023111\_ESCOG and authorize the Executive Director to execute.