COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

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TO

Milwaukee County Board Chairman Theodore Lipscomb Sr.

FROM

Charles Wikenhauser, Director, Zoological Department

SUBJECT:

Professional Service Contract with Robett Zigman Marketing Inc. for Entertainment

booking services for Milwaukee a la Carte - ACTIVE REVIEW

Policy

Authorization to enter into a Professional Service Contract ("Contract") with Robert Zigman Marketing, Inc. ("Zigman").

Background

In November, the Zoo issued a Request for Proposals ("RFP") to provide entertainment booking services for the Zoo's a la Carte four (4)-day summer food and entertainment festival. Zigman, the incumbent service provider, submitted a proposal meeting all the terms and conditions of the RFP.

Under the direction of the Marketing & Communications Director as well as the Zoo Director, the firm will book six (6) stages of family-style entertainment for each day of the four (4)-day festival. Entertainment will include national, regional and local acts.

The Contract compensates Zigman based on its actual costs, not to exceed One Hundred and Nintey Dollars (\$190,000) per year. It prohibits Zigman from entering into any contracts pertaining to the County, including sponsorship agreements, promotional arrangements, performance agreements, or other arrangements with outside contractors, without the prior written consent of the County. The contract provides for an initial term of two (2) years and two (2) optional one (1)-year renewal terms.

Recommendation

The Zoological Director recommends that the Zoo be authorized to execute the Professional Service Contract with Robert Zigman Marketing, Inc.

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