

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE : November 21st, 2014

To : Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic, County Board of Supervisors

FROM : Matthew Hanchek, Director of Benefits – Department of Human Resources *M.H.*

SUBJECT: **Report from the Director of Benefits, Department of Human Resources, requesting authorization to amend the current contract with Buck Consultants for pension actuarial services provided to Milwaukee County.**

Issue/Background

Milwaukee County maintains a separate contract for pension actuarial services for research requests on a variety of matters requested as requested by the County Board and/or the County Executive. In 2010, the County Board approved \$75,000 of funding in org. unit 1950 for pension actuarial services to be performed by Buck Consultants. The 2011 and 2012 adopted budgets each authorized increases to the contract to the current limit of \$165,000. Although work has been ongoing, an increase to the authorized funding was not necessary through 2013 and most of 2014.

Invoices have now been received which exceed the current authorized contract balance by approximately \$20,000. In anticipation of ongoing requests for actuarial services, it is requested that the County Board authorize additional funding of \$50,000, bringing the total contract value since its inception in 2010 to \$215,000. There are sufficient funds in org. unit 1950, professional services to account for this request.

Requested Board Action

It is requested that the Director of Employee Benefits, Department of Human Resources be authorized to increase the contract with Buck Consultants to advise Milwaukee County on a fee for service basis, by \$50,000 from \$165,000 to \$210,000. It is also requested that any contract payments that are owing on the contract are allowed to be paid under the increased contract amount.

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