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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT **ITEM NO. 6.12**

DATE: September 14, 2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Marianna A. Burch, City Manager

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a second amendment to the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department Joint Powers Authority agreement for legal services with Stoel Rives LLP for work related to the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board's PFAS investigation of various LPFD facilities in an amount not to exceed $1,000,000.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager, or her designee, to execute a Second Amendment to the agreement with Stoel Rives LLP for work related to the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board's investigation of PFAS at Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department (LPFD) facilities, increasing the agreement by $600,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of $1,000,000.

SUMMARY

The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) is evaluating potential sources of PFAS in the Livermore Valley groundwater basin. As part of that regional effort, the Water Board requested investigations at LPFD's Fire Training Center and Fire Stations 1 (3560 Nevada Street, Pleasanton), 3 (3200 Santa Rita Road, Pleasanton), 5 (1200 Machado Place, Pleasanton), and 10 (330 Airway Boulevard, Livermore). LPFD has been working cooperatively with the Water Board to complete the requested investigations.

DISCUSSION

On November 13, 2024, LPFD entered into an agreement with Stoel Rives LLP for legal services in an amount not-to-exceed $200,000. Stoel Rives LLP subcontracted with Integral Consulting Inc. to assist with some of the technical work, including site surveys; sediment, soil, and groundwater sampling; installation of test and monitoring wells; evaluation and implementation of mitigation measures; and preparation of reports for the Water Board.

On March 24, 2026, the agreement was amended to increase the not-to-exceed amount from $200,000 to $400,000. To complete the remaining investigation work, LPFD now requests a second amendment

and increase the amount by $600,000 to a not-to-exceed of $1,000,000. Because the agreement includes expenditures for which both Livermore and Pleasanton are responsible under the LPFD Joint Powers Agreement, approval by both City Councils is required.

FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACTS

Under the LPFD Joint Powers Agreement, Livermore and Pleasanton are jointly responsible for costs associated with the investigation of the LPFD Fire Training Center. Each city is separately responsible for costs associated with investigations of fire stations within its jurisdiction. Accordingly, Livermore is responsible for its share of the Fire Training Center investigation and the costs attributable to Fire Station 10 and LPFD budgeted funds will be used for the City of Livermore's portion of costs.

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GOAL

11: Operate and maintain municipal water systems that provide safe, efficient delivery of potable and recycled water, collect and treat wastewater, and comply with all federal, state, and local regulations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution
2. Stoel Rives - Amendment

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