

STAFF REPORT

DATE: June 21, 2022

TO: City of Colusa Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Jesse Cain, City Manager

AGENDA ITEM:

Subject: Consultant Services contract for Building and Plan Checks

Recommendation: Council to approve the Resolution approving the services contract for Building and Plan Checking.

BACKGROUND ANALYSIS:

In 2014 I was handed the building department to oversee and operate. The City had a contract will Wildan consulting and BV Consulting to fill in when the City's building inspector was not available or when something was too complicated to be handled in-house. After overseeing the building department, I found that it was costing the City money to a point where the City building department was operating in the red each year. And this should be a department that at least covers its operating cost because this is a fee-generated position. In September of 2015, the City entered into a building services contract with Wyatt Paxton and the City no longer used Wildan or BV consulting.

Over the last few years, we created a new position called Economic Development Manager and included those duties of the Building/ Code inspector, and City planner. The Economic Development Manager position included the building and code enforcement duties is no longer working for the City of Colusa with the growth that we are having. Not knowing how long this growth is going to happen and with a looming shutdown of our economy I felt that it would be best to contract out the building inspection services for the next few months and see if the building slows down, this should be a position that pays for itself and not cost the general fund.

This would be a month-to-month contract and can be canceled with a 30-day notice. I would recommend to the City Council that we move forward with the contract and see how this next year goes.

BUDGET IMPACT: Unknown this position should pay for itself as a contracted position.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Council to approve Resolution 22-__ approving the service contract for Wyatt Paxton Consulting.