

COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: September 15, 2020

SUBMITTED BY: Mack McDonald, Chief Administrative Officer

TITLE: Consideration of a contract for Ordinance Recodification Cost Proposal

and Contract with American Legal Publishing Corporation using CARES

ACT Funds

RECOMMENDATION: Make a motion approving the contract with American Legal Publishing

Corporation using CARES ACT funds

SUMMARY

Using CARES Act Funds, we would like contract with American Legal Publishing Corporation to perform recodification and publish for our website all of the County ordinances.

HISTORY/PAST ACTION

Beginning in 2002, the County contracted with Sterling Codifiers to perform this service and through that time spent thousands of dollars. According to Sterling Codifiers they had requested information from the County and provided us a draft of their work in 2004 in which the County failed to respond so Sterling reimbursed the County for funds unspent. In 2009, the County asked them to complete the project but the items were not provided again by the County. In 2009 Sterling sent a letter to the County Commission cancelling the contract. At that time, they had spent 5 years trying to work with the County. In 2015, the County once again reengaged in an attempt to once again contract with Sterling which according to Sterling was once again cancelled. Last month, I attempted to reengage Sterling, who has been purchased by American Legal. However, the previous owner of Sterling did not keep our files and all previous paid for work is no longer available.

FISCAL IMPACT

Base cost \$8,925