## City of Calistoga Staff Report

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Charlene Gallina, Planning & Building Director

DATE:

March 3, 2009

SUBJECT:

First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with

Calistoga Affordable Housing, Inc.

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:

James C. McCann, City Manager

**ISSUE:** Consider a Resolution authorizing the First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Calistoga Affordable Housing, Inc. for housing related services.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolution.

**BACKGROUND:** On January 20, 2009, a proposal to amend the Professional Services Agreement with Calistoga Affordable Housing, Inc. (CAH) was presented to the City Council (see attached staff report and minute excerpt). After discussion, Council reached consensus to suspend the current agreement and directed staff and the City Attorney to revise the agreement and scope of work, to eliminate any real or reasonably perceived conflict of interest for subsequent Council consideration.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: Attached for Council consideration is an amendment to CAH's original agreement in which CAH's scope of work has been completely revised to delete those services which might be more prone to conflict of interest concerns. (Refer to Scope of Work Tracked Changes). The services and products to be received from CAH, with respect to the Housing Element Update, will consist primarily of data collection, survey of housing stock and market conditions, and assessment of current housing programs. In addition, CAH will be assisting staff in the preparation of a draft housing conversion ordinance. With respect to general services, CAH has been requested to advise the Planning Director on new state and regional housing policies and programs, on development projects with respect to affordable housing issues, and on the preparation of the annual Housing Element reporting requirements.

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Based upon these changes presented, staff and the City Attorney are confident that such services will not have the potential or reasonable appearance to cause a conflict of interest.

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FISCAL IMPACT: The continuing contractual relationship with Calistoga Housing Services will not exceed \$25,000 per year to be paid on a quarterly basis upon services rendered. These funds are budgeted in the adopted 2008-09 budget under the Low Income Housing Program funds.

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## ATTACHMENTS:

- Draft Resolution (with Draft First Amendment & Revised Scope of Services Shown in
   Tracked Changes)
- 38 2. Original Professional Services Agreement
- 39 3. Excerpt of Draft City Council Meeting Minutes January 20, 2009
- 40 4. City Council Staff Report of January 20, 2009