

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 3.46
(ID # 29284)

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, December 16, 2025

FROM : SHERIFF-CORONER-PA

SUBJECT: SHERIFF-CORONER-PA: Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Service Agreement with Loma Linda University Pathology Medical Group, Inc. for Neuropathology Examinations and Ophthalmic Eye Pathology without seeking competitive bids, increasing the annual Agreement amount by \$25,000 from \$50,000 to \$75,000 through June 30, 2030. All Districts. [Total Cost up to \$375,000 plus up to \$37,500 in additional compensation; 100% Sheriff's Budget]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Service Agreement with Loma Linda University Pathology Medical Group, Inc. for Neuropathology Examinations and Ophthalmic Eye Pathology, without seeking competitive bids, to increase the annual Agreement amount by \$25,000, from \$50,000 to \$75,000, through June 30, 2030;
2. Authorize the Purchasing Agent, in accordance with Ordinance 459, based on the availability of fiscal funding and as approved to form by County Counsel to: (a) sign amendments that exercise the options of the Agreement, including modifications of the scope of services, and (b) sign amendments to the compensation provisions that do not exceed \$37,500 in additional compensation;
3. Authorize the Chair of the Board to sign three (3) copies of Amendment No. 2 and direct the Clerk to retain one copy and return two copies to the Sheriff's Office for distribution; and

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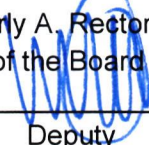
ACTION:


Zachary Hall, ASSISTANT SHERIFF 12/14/2025

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Spiegel, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: Medina
Date: December 16, 2025
xc: Sheriff

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

4. Authorize the Purchasing Agent, or designee, to issue Purchase Orders to Loma Linda University Pathology Medical Group, Inc. that do not exceed the total approved Agreement amount.

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 375,000	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 375,000	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% Sheriff's Budget			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: 25/26-29/30	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BR#26-034

BACKGROUND:

Summary

Neuropathologists are challenging to find and many are unable to manage the workload generated by the Riverside County Sheriff-Coroner's Bureau. The scarcity of board-certified forensic neuropathologists and ophthalmic pathologists has historically made it difficult for the Coroner's Bureau to locate qualified individuals to handle its workload.

An RFQ (SHARC-434) was posted for public bidding on February 20, 2020, and it was extended four times, with a final closing date of July 30, 2020. Unfortunately, no bids were received by that deadline.

The previous contract with NAAG Pathology Labs PC (SHARC-91878-002-06/23), which was contracted for both Neuropathology and Ophthalmic Pathology, was terminated on March 9, 2020 because the vendor's services did not meet the needs of the Coroner's Bureau.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The Sheriff-Coroner's Bureau must employ various doctors for specialized postmortem services. The involvement of a neuropathologist and an ophthalmic pathologist is crucial for specific death investigations, including cases involving traumatic brain injuries, homicides, child fatalities, and neurological diseases or disorders.

Contract History and Price Reasonableness

As of December 1, 2025, the fee for gross and microscopic examinations of brain neuropathology under LLU will increase from \$850 to \$1,250 per case. This adjustment reflects various factors, including inflation and rising operational expenses, and is necessary because the current fee has not been updated since 2011.

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ATTACHMENTS:

ATTACHMENT A. Amendment No. 2 Loma Linda University Pathology Medical Group, Inc.

ATTACHMENT B. SSJ Amendment #21-060A

Melissa Curtis
Melissa Curtis, Deputy Director of Purchasing and Fleet 12/1/2025

Rebecca S Cortez
Rebecca S Cortez, Principal Management Analyst 12/10/2025

Aaron Gettis
Aaron Gettis, Chief of Deputy County Counsel 11/20/2025

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT
FOR NEUROPATHOLOGY EXAMINATIONS WITH
LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY PATHOLOGY MEDICAL GROUP, INC.

Original Contract Term:	05/06/2021 through 06/30/2025
Amended Contract Term (from Amend. No. 1):	07/01/2025 through 06/30/2030
Effective Date of Amendment:	12/01/2025
Original Annual Maximum Contract Amount	\$50,000
Amended Annual Maximum Contract Amount:	\$75,000
Original Contract ID:	SHARC-PO-0003019
Amended Contract ID:	SHARC-91878-004-06/25

This Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Service Agreement for Neuropathology Examinations (“Second Amendment”) is entered into by and between the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California, on behalf of its Riverside County Sheriff’s Office (“COUNTY”), and Loma Linda University Pathology Medical Group, Inc., a California nonprofit public benefit corporation (“CONTRACTOR”), effective December 1, 2025 (“Effective Date”). COUNTY and CONTRACTOR are collectively referred to herein as the “Parties”, and individually as the “Party”.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, COUNTY and CONTRACTOR entered into that certain Professional Service Agreement for Neuropathology Examinations and Ophthalmic Eye Pathology (Contract ID SHARC-PO-0003019) for a term of May 6, 2021 through June 30, 2025 (“Original Agreement”);

WHEREAS, effective July 1, 2025, the Parties entered into that certain Amendment No. 1 to the Original Agreement (“First Amendment”) extending the period of performance through June 30, 2030;

WHEREAS, the Original Agreement and First Amendment are collectively referred to herein as the “Agreement”;

WHEREAS, the Parties now desire to increase the maximum Agreement amount from \$50,000 to \$75,000 annually and amend the payment provisions; and

WHEREAS, Section 4.1 of the Agreement permits modifications by written amendment signed by both Parties;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.
2. Effective Date. This Second Amendment shall be effective as of December 1, 2025.
3. Contract Identification (ID) number (#) SHARC-PO-0003019 (“Original Contract ID”) referenced at the top of every page of the Agreement and any mention thereof is hereby amended in its entirety as “SHARC-91878-004-06/25”.

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4. On page 3 of the Agreement, amend the second sentence of Section 3.1 to read as follows: Maximum payments by COUNTY to CONTRACTOR shall not exceed seventy five thousand (\$75,000) annually, including all expenses.
5. Exhibit B, Payment Provisions, is deleted in its entirety and replaced with Amended Exhibit B-1, Payment Provisions, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.
6. Miscellaneous. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.
7. USE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES: This Second Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which will be an original, but all of which together will constitute one instrument. The Parties agree to the use of electronic or digital signatures that meets the requirements of the California Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (“CUETA”) Cal. Civ. Code §§ 1633.1-1633.17). The Parties further agree that the electronic or digital signatures are intended to authenticate this writing and to have the same force and effect as manual signatures. For purposes of this section, a digital signature is a type of "electronic signature" as defined in of Section 1633.2 of the Civil Code.

[Signature page to follow]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this ratification and Second Amendment.

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, a political subdivision of the State of California

By: 
V. Manuel Perez, Chair
Board of Supervisors

Dated: DEC 16 2025

**LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY
PATHOLOGY MEDICAL GROUP, INC.**,
a California nonprofit benefit corporation

By: 
Paul Herrmann, M.D.
President

Dated: _____

ATTEST:

Kimberly Rector
Clerk of the Board

By: 
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

County Counsel
Minh C. Tran

Amrit P. Dhillon
By: _____
Amrit P. Dhillon
Deputy County Counsel

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AMENDED EXHIBIT B-1

**NEUROPATHOLOGY SERVICES
PAYMENT PROVISIONS**

DESCRIPTION	RATE
Gross and Microscopic Examination (Including Reports)	\$1,250/per Case
Spinal Cord Examination	\$1,250/per Case
Meeting with Attorney or Phone Conference	\$345/hour Charged in 30 Minute Increments
Attorney Requested Review of Medical, Radiologic, and Legal Records	\$500/hour Charged in 30 Minute Increments
Case Review with Report Generated	\$550/hour Charged in 30 Minute Increments
Case-Related Medical Literature Searches	\$345/hour Charged in 30 Minute Increments
Testimonial Preparation Time	\$345/hour Charged in 30 Minute Increments
Deposition Rate (Verbal or Video Taping)	\$800/hour Charged in 30 Minute Increments. 1 Hour Minimum Charge
Trial Testimony Rate	\$1,000/hour Charged in 30 Minute Increments. 2 Hour Minimum Charge
Travel	\$345/hour Plus Mileage at 57.5 Cents Per Mile











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Final Audit Report

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✔ Agreement completed.

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Riverside County Sheriff's Office
Chad Bianco, Sheriff-Coroner

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SSJ No.: 21-060 approved on 11/30/2020

Amendment No.: 1

Date: Monday, September 30, 2025

From: Amanda Bennett, Deputy Director of Administrative Services

To: Board of Supervisors

Via: Alison Poole, Administrative Services Manager II

Subject: Request for Single Source Procurement Amendment for Ophthalmic Pathology and Neuropathology Services

Supporting Documents: indicate which are included in the request from the list below.

- Supplier Quote Supplier Sole Source Letter Final draft agreement
 Final draft Form 11 H-11 approved by RCIT/TSOC Grant Agreement
 Other: CA Secretary of State Business Entity Information

1. **Supplier Name:** Loma Linda University Pathology Medical Group, Inc.

Supplier ID: 0000135059

2. **Reason or Justification for the Amendment:**

The current cost for the Neuropathology examination is \$850 per case. However, due to inflation and rising operational costs, this price will increase to \$1,250 per case starting December 1, 2025. As a result, we are requesting an increase in the Annual Agreement amount.

1. Amend the Period of Performance approved by County Counsel and fully executed on April 17, 2025, to extend the Agreement from June 30, 2025, to June 30, 2030.
2. Increase the Annual Maximum Contract amount by \$25,000, raising it from \$50,000 to \$75,000, and allocate an aggregate contingency of \$37,500 for unexpected expenses.
3. Amend the Agreement and delete Exhibit B, Payment Provisions in its entirety and replace it with Exhibit B-1, Payment Provisions.



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3. Please include the initial costs from the prior reviewed assigned SSJ in the table below:

Description:	FY <u>20/21</u>	FY <u>21/22</u>	FY <u>22/23</u>	FY <u>23/24</u>	FY <u>24/25</u>	Total
Neuropathology Services	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$175,000
Ophthalmic Pathology Services	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$75,000
Total Costs	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$250,000

a. Amended goods and/or services costs must be identified below:

Description:	FY <u>25/26</u>	FY <u>26/27</u>	FY <u>27/28</u>	FY <u>28/29</u>	FY <u>29/30</u>	Total
Neuropathology Services	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$175,000
Ophthalmic Pathology Services	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	15,000	\$75,000
Increased Cost for all Services	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$125,000
Total Costs**	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$375,000
Additional Contingency in as-needed expenses	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$37,500

**The department is requesting an aggregate amount over the five (5) year period of performance.

4. **Period of Performance:** 07/01/2025-06/30/2030

Ratify Start Date: N/A

Initial Term Start Date: 07/01/2025 **End Date:** 06/30/2030

Number of renewal options: None.

Aggregate Term/ End Date: 06/30/2030

5. **Projected Board of Supervisor Date:** 10/28/2025

[Signatures on Following Page]

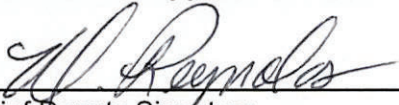
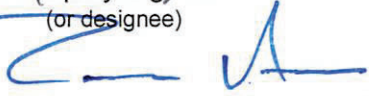


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By signing below, I certify that all contractual and legal requirements to do business with the selected supplier has been fully vetted and approved.

	MISTY REYNOLDS	10/1/25
Chief Deputy Signature (or designee)	Print Name	Date
	Zana Ihan	10/1/25
Assistant Sheriff Signature (or designee)	Print Name	Date
Amanda Bennett	Amanda Bennett	9/30/25
Print Name	Department Head Signature (Executive Level Designee)	Date

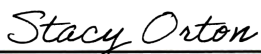
PCS Reviewed:

John J. Farrar		09/30/2025
Print Name	Signature	Date

Note: Once signed by the Department Head and PCS (signature lines above), the PCS will e-mail completed SSJ form with supporting documents to psources@rivco.org, and cc: Supervising PCS. Please reach out to your assigned PCS with any questions.

The section below is to be completed by the Purchasing Agent or designee.

Purchasing Department Review and Comments: _____

	10/1/2025	21-060a
Purchasing Agent Signature	Date	Tracking Number (Reference on Purchasing Documents)