

Yolo County Housing

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May 7, 2009

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YCH Board of Commissioners

FROM:

Lisa A. Baker, Executive Director

By:

Mark Stern, Finance Director

SUBJECT:

Receive and File Report of Employment Development Department (EDD)

Audit of Payroll and Payments to Independent Contractors

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

That the Board of Commissioners receive and file the results of an EDD Audit of agency payroll and payments to independent contractors.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The State Employment Development Department recently completed an audit of payroll for proper remittance of employment withholdings and taxes and payments made to independent contractors. The audit covered calendar years 2006 through 2008. The payroll portion of the audit resulted in no findings. The auditor did however determine that several of the vendors YCH had, in the past, treated as independent contractors do not meet state qualifications and should have been treated as employees. In some cases, the finding is made based on the auditors not finding that the YCH issued 1099s. EDD has assessed employment taxes and interest due, but has waived any penalties since YCH had acted in good faith in making the contractor payments. The agency is looking at the possibility of filing an appeal.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total assessment from the audit is \$14,079.09. Approximately \$7,000 of personal income tax and interest can be abated because YCH can demonstrate that it issued 1099 forms to the contractors involved. In addition another \$300 can be abated due to an auditor error in total amount of payments made to one vendor. The net result will be a revised assessment of approximately \$6,900 payable to EDD if no other appeal is possible.

CONCLUSION

The Board of Commissioners should receive and file the results of the EDD audit.

QUARTERLY ADJUSTMENTS - DETAIL WORKSHEET

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