

**MEMORANDUM  
ASSESSOR'S OFFICE  
COUNTY OF PLACER**

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Kristen Spears, Assessor   
**DATE:** June 3, 2014  
**SUBJECT:** Approve Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. KN021116 with American Ashkenazy Ltd. dba Berliner, Kidder & Tish

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve Change Order No. 2 to Contract No: KN021116 with American Ashkenazy Ltd. dba Berliner, Kidder & Tish. The Assessor requests an increase of \$76,000 resulting in a new contract amount of \$125,000 for the period of October 15, 2013 through June 30, 2015, and authorize the Purchasing Manager to sign the resulting change order. The expenditure will be funded through the Assessor's budget, with no new Net County Cost.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Placer County Assessor has retained the professional organization, Berliner, Kidder & Tish to assist with research, analysis and value work related to unique industrial properties within Placer County.

The Consultant, with expertise in the industrial field, was recently hired to conduct research and lend technical expertise for an assessment appeal which put Placer County at risk of losing \$63,700,000 on its Annual Assessment Roll. It is expected that his services will be used for additional unique, high-dollar appeals that could impact the county.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Upon your Board's approval, the Assessor's contract with Berliner, Kidder & Tish, will be increased from \$49,000 to \$125,000. Funding for the increase is available within the Assessor's FY 2013-14 Final Budget and FY 2014-15 Submitted Budget, with no additional fiscal impact to the General Fund.

