



**Request for City Council Committee Action
Health Department**

Date: July 13, 2015

To: HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
COMMITTEE

Referral to: WAYS & MEANS/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Subject: AMEND CONTRACT WITH PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES, INC.
FOR ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING

Recommendation:

Council authorization for the proper City officials to execute amendment #1 to contract #37640 with Pace Analytical Services, Inc. to add \$40,000 for a new contract total of \$183,500 from 00100-8600155 for environmental testing of air, soil, and water.

Previous Directives: December 13, 2013

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Approved by:

Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval Not Applicable _____
Policy Review Group (PRG) Approval _____ Date of Approval _____ Not Applicable

Presenters in Committee: Patrick Hanlon, Manager Environmental Initiatives

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).

Background/Supporting Information Attached

In 2013 funding was approved for a two year air quality study across the City. Following a competitive RFP process, Pace Analytical Services, Inc. was selected to provide laboratory testing services. Since then several things have changed resulting in a need for additional funds to be added to complete services in 2015: a one-time ground water study last fall that was a priority to assess the quality of the water available through city wells (five of which were determined to have levels of arsenic and lead that exceeded federal standards); an urgent environmental issue when the PERC levels at a Longfellow dry cleaners posed a serious health threat to the neighboring day care and testing services for this leak were provided thorough Pace; and, an additional \$25,000 was approved in the 2015 budget to complete actions on the two year air quality program that were unanticipated in 2013 and was therefore not reflected in the contract total.