

DEPARTMENT: Tourism

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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: Request and recommend the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors approve and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the attached \$148,766) Contract for Services for the fiscal year 2006-2007 between the Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce and Mariposa County for the operation of the Visitors Centers in the towns of Mariposa and Coulterville.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS: Historically the Board of Supervisors has approved the contract between the Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce and Mariposa County for the operation of the Visitors Centers.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION: If not approved, the Visitors Centers will close, leaving many people unemployed. In addition, it will have a negative impact on the visitor. Visitors rely on the Visitors Center to give them accurate information related to the local community and surrounding communities, in our case Yosemite information is the most requested information. If we do not provide this through the Chamber of Commerce and still wish to provide the service to our visitors, perhaps the County of Mariposa will operate the Visitors Center, or the responsibility will fall with another non-profit organization. Either of these alternative plans will take a minimum of six months to one year to establish service. It is optimistic to believe either option would reach the level of service currently provided in less than tow years.

Financial Impact? (X) Yes () No Current FY Cost Annual Recurring Cost:

Budgeted In Current FY? (X) Yes () No () Partially Funded

Amount in Budget: \$148,726

List Attachments, number pages consecutively

Additional Funding Needed: \$

Contract for Services

Source:

Exhibit A

Internal Transfer

Unanticipated Revenue 4/5's vote

Transfer Between Funds 4/5's vote

Contingency 4/5's vote

() General () Other

CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Res. No.: 06-300 Ord. No. _____

Vote - Ayes: 5 Noes: _____

Absent: _____

Approved

() Minute Order Attached () No Action Necessary

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

Requested Action Recommended

No Opinion

Comments: Agreement

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Date: _____

Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California

By: _____
Deputy

CAO: MC
MRS