RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve Contract for Services with the Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce to manage the Mariposa and Coulterville Visitors' Centers in the amount of $150,000, and authorize the Chairman of the Board of the Board of Supervisors to sign the contract. The Chamber is willing to manage the two County Visitors' Centers located in Mariposa and Coulterville and be responsible for all costs associated with this endeavor. The contract is essentially the same as in previous years with the exception that the Courthouse tour guides will no longer be included in the contract. The Board approved funding in the amount of $150,000 for this contract during the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Final Budget Hearings.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board adopted Resolution 08-284 on June 24, 2008, approving a contract with the Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce to operate the two Visitors' Centers.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Do not approve the contract. The Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce will in all likelihood have insufficient funding to operate the Visitors' Centers. The Board may choose to contract with another entity to provide these services, which may necessitate identifying other locations for the Visitors' Centers.

Financial Impact? (X) Yes ( ) No Current FY Cost: $150,000
Budgeted in Current FY? (X) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $150,000
Additional Funding Needed: $0-
Source:
  Internal Transfer
  Unanticipated Revenue
  Transfer Between Funds
  Contingency
  ( ) General ( ) Other

List Attachments, number pages consecutively
Contract for Services

CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No. 08-284 Ord. No. _____
Vote = Ayes: _____ Noes: _____
Absent: _____
Approved _____ Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
Requested Action Recommended
( ) No Opinion
Comments:

CAO: _____
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: RICHARD J. BENSON, CAO

FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: Approve an Agreement with the Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce to Manage the Mariposa and Coulterville Visitors' Centers in the Amount of $150,000, and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Agreement

RESOLUTION 09-495

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on October 13, 2009

ACTION AND VOTE:

Approve an Agreement with the Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce to Manage the Mariposa and Coulterville Visitors' Centers in the Amount of $150,000, and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Agreement (County Administrative Officer/Personnel/Risk Manager)

BOARD ACTION: Rick Benson initiated discussion relative to the agreement, and he advised that the Courthouse tour program was deleted from this agreement and will be brought back to the Board during the mid-year budget review.

Input from the public was provided by the following:

Peter Schimmelfennig, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, provided input on their review of options for Courthouse tours, including using docents. He provided input on the discussion held during the final budget hearing relative to the location of the Visitors Center in Coulterville and advised of the benefits of the current location.

Following discussion, (M)Turpin, (S)Cann, Res. 09-495 was adopted approving the agreement as recommended/Ayes: Turpin, Bibby, Cann, Allen; Excused: Aborn.

Cc: Chamber of Commerce
    Chris Ebie, Auditor
    File