DEPARTMENT: Technical Services

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Hear a presentation on the status of the Mariposa County government website and authorize the Chair to sign the attached agreement with the content management vendor, Civic Plus.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has approved web site initiative in the past.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Use a less costly, less robust content management vendor or stay with current method as long as possible.

Financial Impact? (x) Yes ( ) No  Current FY Cost: $
Budgeted In Current FY? (x) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $ 49,700
Additional Funding Needed: $0
Source:
Internal Transfer
Unanticipated Revenue
Transfer Between Funds
Contingency
( ) General  ( ) Other

Clerk’s Use Only:
Res. No. 95-62  Ord. No. ___
Vote – Ayes: 5  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: [Signature]

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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: RICK PERESAN, Technical Services Director
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: Presentation on the Status of the Mariposa County Government Website and Approve Agreement with the Content Management Vendor, Civic Plus and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Agreement

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on February 19, 2008

ACTION AND VOTE:

Rick Peresan, Technical Services Director;
Presentation on the Status of the Mariposa County Government Website and Approve Agreement with the Content Management Vendor, Civic Plus and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Agreement

BOARD ACTION: Rick Peresan gave a presentation on the status of the County’s website and options for improvement, and he advised of constraints with the existing system. Discussion was held relative to the recommendation and costs.

Input from the public was provided by the following:

Kris Schenk, Planning Director, provided input relative to his department’s use of the web and stated he supports this kind of system.

Jim Rydingsword, Human Services Director, provided input on his personal experience with Content Management Software and advised that he is excited about this. It will allow his department to do more online.

Ruth Catalan stated she likes the idea of a new website, but questioned the cost and how many citizens have computer access; and she asked for information on the existing costs versus the proposal; and asked whether the website is for County personnel or the public.

Keith Williams, Treasurer/Tax Collector/County Clerk, advised of a March 1st requirement for ballot tracking information to be available. He noted that there are other things they would like to add to the web.

Becky Crafts, Assessor-Recorder, provided input on their use of the County’s website, and she noted that they get requests for information from many out-of-the area people that could be handled with improvements to the website. She feels that the improvement is for better public service.

Paul Chapman noted that publication of legals in the local newspaper will still be required; and he advised that he does not feel that the GIS map is accurate; and he feels that the agenda materials for the Board meetings should be available online.

Brian Muller, Sheriff-Coroner, stated he agrees with the other departments relative to the usefulness of the website and the need for consistency. He provided input on their use of the website and stated he feels the benefits outweigh the costs.
Eleanor Keuning asked if the site could be expanded to include a calendar of community events and be integrated with the website for the Visitors Bureau.

Further discussion was held. Rick Benson provided input on the proposal and advised that the website is a way to get information delivered to the public. He advised that the costs for this proposal is included in the budget and recommended that the agreement be approved.

10:52 a.m. Recess

11:02 a.m. Thomas P. Guarino, County Counsel, advised of three recommended changes to the contract. Further discussion was held relative to the costs. Supervisor Turpin noted the need for countywide high-speed internet access. Chris Ebie, Auditor, responded to questions relative to the cost allocation plan. (M)Fritz, (S)Aborn, Res. 08-62 was adopted approving the recommended actions, with the changes to the agreement as suggested by County Counsel/Ayes: Unanimous.

Supervisor Pickard referred to the earlier matter relative to the new website proposal and asked that progress reports be brought back to the Board, including approval of the final content and display of the site before it goes live; and Rick Peresan advised that he would bring the matter back as requested.

Cc: Chris Ebie, Auditor
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