DEPARTMENT: Administration

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve agreement with Advocacy for lobbying activities and authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign the agreement. Advocacy represents the interests of Mariposa County to state government officials with regards to legislation that benefits our citizens. They also provide information to local county officials on legislative updates, and state budget developments and impacts.

Funding for this contract will be included in the Requested Fiscal Year 2006-07 budget.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board adopted Resolution 06-25 approving an initial agreement with Advocacy for lobbying services.

Mariposa County previously used Strategic Local Government Services for lobbying services, and to prior to this Wagerman and Associates.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Do not approve the agreement with Advocacy for lobbying activities. Direct staff to obtain quotes from other lobbying firms for providing similar services. If no lobbying firm is desired, then local officials must make the interests of Mariposa County known to state government officials, which could take their time away from more pressing local issues.

Financial Impact? (X) Yes [] No
Budgeted In Current FY? (X) Yes [] No ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $________
Additional Funding Needed: $________
Source:
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. # __________ 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:

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