DEPARTMENT: Human Services/BHRS

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

It is respectfully recommended that your Board authorize an amendment to a lease, with Coastal Development Company, which will increase the available office space at 5037 Stroming Road for Behavioral Health programs.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Please see attachment.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Please see attachment.

Financial Impact? ( ) Yes [X] No Current FY Cost: $

Budgeted in Current FY? ( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded

Amount in Budget: $ 

Additional Funding Needed: $ 

Source: 

Internal Transfer 

Unanticipated Revenue 

Transfer Between Funds 

Contingency ( ) General ( ) Other 

( ) 4/5's vote 

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CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Res. No.: 05-120 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: _________________________

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CAO: ______________________

Revised Dec. 2002
March 29, 2005

TO: Members, Board of Supervisors
FROM: Cheryle Rutherford-Kelly
RE: Behavioral Health / Amendment to Building Lease with Coastal Development Company for Additional Space at 5037 Stroming Road, Mariposa

Recommendation

It is respectfully recommended that your Board authorize an amendment to a lease, with Coastal Development Company, which will increase the available office space at 5037 Stroming Road for Behavioral Health Programs.

Background/Current Situation

The County has a lease, with Coastal Development Company, for office space to operate the majority of Behavioral Health programs. This was a transfer lease from Kings View to the County when the County accepted direct responsibility for the programs nine (9) months ago.

During the past nine months, the department has worked to bring the programs into compliance under plans approved by your Board, the Mental Health Board and best practice. We have reduced the number of people waiting for assistance from 60 people to zero. There is now no wait to get in to see a counselor or enter a treatment/recovery group. As a result of this effort, we are seeing more people in individual sessions and there are currently 35 groups operational.

While the employee progress has been excellent, it has become difficult to schedule clients and groups because we simply do not have enough space. The current lease provided for 6,000 sq. ft. at a cost of $6,000 per month. The owner has vacant space available at the same location. We would like to rent 4,918 additional square feet of space. We would like to use that space to provide treatment and fiscal operations as well as avoid it being rented to a company that has no interest in behavioral health or the need to honor confidentiality. Because we are the only clinic in the area, we serve clientele from every socio economic group. Every person’s privacy rights are of critical importance.

This matter was discussed with the County Administrative Officer approximately one month ago. He stated that he was in support of this proposal.

Financial

The cost of the amendment is $3,688.50 per month. This will bring the total monthly cost for space to $9,688.50. The cost will be supported by allocations and MediCal billing. There is no impact on the general fund.