RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2015-531

MEETING: November 10, 2015

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: Agreement with Sequoia Psychiatric Treatment Center to Provide Inpatient Services

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Agreement with Sequoia Psychiatric Treatment Center to provide inpatient mental health rehabilitation services for Mariposa County Behavioral Health in an amount not to exceed $40,000; and authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to sign the Agreement.

The County does not operate inpatient mental health rehabilitation facilities and therefore contracts for such placements. Multiple contracts are necessary to meet the potential need for mental health emergency services because beds are in short supply throughout California. If the County limits the number of contracts, there would likely come a time that someone were in danger to themselves or others, and no bed space would be available.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
This is a new contract with Sequoia Psychiatric Treatment Center. A one-month contract not to exceed $10,000 was signed by the County Administrative Officer on October 14, 2015, in order to place a client with urgent needs for care.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If this contract is not approved, Behavioral Health crisis response workers may have greater difficulty in placing clients who require emergency psychiatric hospitalization.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
This contract will continue to be paid within the Behavioral Health budget unit and does not affect the Mental Health Services Act corrective action plan. The cost will not exceed the monthly residential fee of $800 plus the daily rate of $280 per client per day as stated in Exhibit A of the contract. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
Sequoia Psychiatric Treatment Center PSA 2016 (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended
RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
SECONDER: Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Carrier