DEPARTMENT: Public Works  By: Thomas Starling  Phone: 966-5356

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes_  No x )

The Public Works Department recommends that the Board approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the attached Contract for Services with James A. Wyse, Inc., for special solid waste engineering services on an as-needed basis.

This action will require that the Board also waive the normal County policy requiring solicitation of Requests for Qualifications/Requests for Proposals and formal interviews.

This action is justified as Wyse has been providing solid waste engineering services to the County since 1988 and is very familiar with how State/Federal mandates affect our landfill and transfer stations. Staff feels Mr. Wyse is the most qualified engineer available for certain types of professional engineering services for which staff does not yet have sufficient expertise. Adequate funding exists in the budget.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has considered and approved similar requests in the past.

Over the past four years, staff has gradually assumed most of the professional-level duties associated with the Solid Waste Enterprise. Costs for such engineering services have been lowered from about $70,000 per year to the current $6,000 per year.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

1. Do not approve the contract and direct staff to proceed with the normal professional services solicitation process. Professional-level services for the Solid Waste Enterprise would suffer in the interim.

2. Do not approve the contract and direct staff to provide these services by utilizing Engineering Division personnel. This option would likely cost more because of the need to learn the very complex regulations affecting solid waste disposal.

COSTS:  () Not Applicable
A. Budgeted current FY $71,165
B. Total anticipated costs $6,000
C. Required additional funding $0
D. Internal transfers $0

SOURCE:  () 4/5th Vote Required
A. Unanticipated revenues $0
B. Reserve for contingencies $0
C. Source description: Balance in Reserve Contingencies, if approved: $0

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

1. Contract for Services (7 pgs)
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

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:
This item on agenda as:

Recommended
Not Recommended
For Policy Determination
Submitted with Comment
Returned for Further Action

Comment: __________________________

A.O. Initials: __________________________
TO: MIKE EDWARDS, Public Works Director
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT: Contract for Special Solid Waste Engineering Services (James A. Wyse, Inc.) Resolution Number 94-440

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,
ADOPTED THIS Order on October 11, 1994

ACTION AND VOTE:

2:12 p.m. Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
   A) Resolution Approving and Authorizing Chairman to Sign Contract for Special Solid Waste Engineering Services with James A. Wyse, Inc., and
   C) Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Public Works Director to Sign Agreement for Services for Mariposa Landfill Closure/Post Closure Plan with James A. Wyse, Inc.

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Mike Edwards. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 94-440 adopted authorizing Auditor to pay outstanding invoice(s) to James A. Wyse, Inc./Ayes: Baggett, Balmain, Erickson, Parker; Noes: Taber. Direction was given for Public Works Director to pursue alternatives to the proposed contracts and come back with recommendation.

cc: Jeffrey G. Green, County Counsel
Ken Hawkins, Auditor
Dr. Mosher, County Health Officer
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