

DEPARTMENT: Elections

BY: Keith M. Williams, County Clerk  
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**RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:**

Authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Kenneth and Lamerna Mari in the amount of \$200 per month for secured storage facilities capable of storing the Elections Department Electronic Voting Machines.

The Electronic Voting Machines and their related equipment such as the Verified Voter Paper Audit Trail are required to kept under locked storage. Since their purchase they have been stored in the Board of Supervisors Chambers. This room is used for many functions by the public and does not represent the security that the voting machines require.

**BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**

The Board has approved agreements in the past for storage of equipment and records when the there has been inadequate space in the departments.

**ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

Do not approve the agreement and place the County at risk for the loss of a voting machine or to allegations of insufficient security of the voting equipment.

Financial Impact? ( X ) Yes ( ) No	Current FY Cost: \$800	Annual Recurring Cost: \$2400
Budgeted In Current FY? ( X ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded		
Amount in Budget: \$ _____		List Attachments, number pages consecutively _____
Additional Funding Needed: _____		Memo to Board of Supervisors _____
Source: _____		Lease Agreement _____
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.: 07-87 Ord. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote - Ayes: 5 Noes: \_\_\_\_\_  
Absent: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approved  
( ) Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary

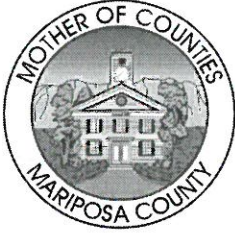
The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

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: 



**Keith M. Williams**  
**Treasurer – Tax Collector and**  
**County Clerk**

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## MEMORANDUM

Date: March 1, 2007

To: Board of Supervisors *KMW*

From: Keith M. Williams, County Clerk/Registrar of Voters

Re: Electronic Voting Machine Storage

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Since the purchase of the Electronic Voting Machines they have been housed in the Board Chambers. There has always been a concern as to where they would eventually be stored on a more permanent basis. This concern is based on the security requirements of voting equipment. Voting equipment should be stored under a locked and controlled environment. Access should be limited to personnel authorized to handle the equipment. The climate should be at least comfortable between 40 – 104 degrees. Storage must also have electricity for charging the machines. Finally, storage should allow the machines to be loaded and unloaded without too much effort for testing and setup purposes. Currently, there is not an area within any County building that would meet these requirements.

Due to the extent that the Board Chambers is used by the public at large there is a potential for the possible theft or tampering with the machines. It is the responsibility of the Election Official to see that all aspects of the election process are secure. The storage offered by this lease agreement fits the needs for storage. It is a secure building with heating, air conditioning, lights, and electricity for charging. There is easy access for moving the machines in and out. There is also the ability for an additional room to be used for our testing and repairs.