DEPARTMENT: Board of Supervisors    BY: Supervisor Parker
PHONE: 966-3222

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approval of request from the E. Clampus Vitus Matuca Chapter 1849 to place a monument at the Courthouse as a part of the Mariposa County Courthouse Sesquicentennial Celebration on June 5, 2004.

A letter from the Clampers concerning this request is attached.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

None on this specific request. The Board has authorized the placement of monuments at the Courthouse and in other locations.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

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

List Attachments, number pages consecutively
Letter from the Clampers

CLERK’S USE ONLY:
Res. No. 2004-R3  Ord. No.  __________
Vote – Ayes:  ______  Noes: 5
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: __________

Revised Dec. 2002
ANCIENT AND HONORABLE ORDER OF
E. Clampus Vitus
Mauca Chapter 1849

5950 Pine Top Drive
Mariposa, CA 95338

April 20, 2004

The Honorable Garry R. Parker
Chairman
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors
5100 Bullion Street
Mariposa, CA 95338

Ref: Mariposa County Courthouse Sesquicentennial monument

Dear Garry,

Mauca Chapter 1849 of E. Clampus Vitus has been asked by the Sesquicentennial Committee to erect and dedicate a monument at the courthouse as part of the Mariposa County Courthouse Sesquicentennial celebration on June 5, 2004.

The Clammers propose to place a monument on the lawn area located in the northwest quadrant of the courthouse property. The courthouse will be the 22nd historical site dedicated by E. Clampus Vitus in Mariposa County.

The monument design is to be a single piece of Mariposite, with an angled cut surface, which will be mounted on a 28” x 48” x 16” granite base. The text will be sandblasted directly on the Mariposite off the site by Sam Spalding of Foothill Monuments. The words will be black on green Mariposite. The height of the monument will be approximately 42” and the estimated weight is 3,600 pounds.

The Clamper monument committee has been working with Tom Spacke, (Mariposa County Public Works) and they recommend he mark the exact location for placement of the monument. Tom has identified the location of all on site water and propane lines and has been most helpful in this matter.

On February 9, 2004 the Mariposa Historic Sites & Records Preservation Commission unanimously approved the monument proposal with the condition that they approve words on the monument. On April 19, 2004 the commission, on a motion by Frank Long and second Bill Shimer approved the text as shown on page 2 of this letter.
“A SHRINE TO JUSTICE IN CALIFORNIA”
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The Matuca Chapter 1849 of E. Clampus Vitus will bear all costs related to this project and upon installation; donate the monument to Mariposa County.

The Matuca Chapter respectfully requests the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors approval of the proposed monument.

If you need any further information please contact me at 742-7547.

Sincerely,

Skip Skyrud
Historian

cc: Noble Grand Humbug Coyle Tracy
    Jerry Progner
    Sam Spalding
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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: GARRY R. PARKER, Board of Supervisors Chairman

FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: PLACEMENT OF MONUMENT AT COURTHOUSE BY E. CLAMPUS VITUS MATUREA CHAPTER 1849 AS PART OF SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on May 4, 2004

ACTION AND VOTE:

Garry R. Parker, Supervisor, Chairman;
Approve the Request from the E. Clampus Vitus Matuca Chapter 1849 to Place a Monument at the Courthouse as a Part of the Mariposa County Courthouse Sesquicentennial Celebration on June 5, 2004

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Skip Skyrud relative to the request. Skip advised that the proposed wording for the monument has been approved by the Historical Sites and Records Preservation Commission and reviewed by Scott Pinkerton and Leroy Radanovich. They are working with Tom Spacke/PWD Maintenance on the location of the monument. Discussion was held relative to verification of the historic accuracy of the wording for the monument and the Latin wording and relative to the timeframes for installing the monument. (M)Pickard, (S)Stetson, Res. 04-183 was adopted approving the wording and placement of the monument as requested. Further discussion was held. Ayes: Stetson, Bibby, Parker, Pickard; Noes: Balmain.

cc: Jim Petropulos, Public Works Director
Judge Dana Walton, Mariposa County Superior Court
Skip Skyrud, E. Clampus Vitus Matuca Chapter 1849
File