

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS  
BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

DEPT: Chief Executive Office

BOARD AGENDA: 5.B.9  
AGENDA DATE: December 19, 2017

**SUBJECT:**

Approval to Purchase Portable X-Ray Equipment for the Sheriff-Coroner's Facility Using Existing Budgeted Appropriations

**BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-0714**

On motion of Supervisor Withrow \_\_\_\_\_, Seconded by Supervisor Monteith \_\_\_\_\_ and approved by the following vote.

Ayes: Supervisors: Olsen, Withrow, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman Chiesa \_\_\_\_\_

Noes: Supervisors: None \_\_\_\_\_

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None \_\_\_\_\_

Abstaining: Supervisor: None \_\_\_\_\_

- 1)  Approved as recommended
- 2)  Denied
- 3)  Approved as amended
- 4)  Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST: Elizabeth A. King  
ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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CEO CONCURRENCE: YES

4/5 Vote Required: Yes

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

1. Approve the purchase of a portable x-ray unit for the Sheriff's Coroner Facility for a cost not to exceed \$60,000, funded by remaining proceeds from the Honor Farm Insurance Settlement Fund.
2. Direct the Auditor Controller to transfer \$60,000 from the Honor Farm Insurance Settlement Fund into the CEO Plant Acquisition Equipment Budget and increase the appropriations in the CEO Plant Acquisition Budget, as detailed in the Budget Journal, which is attached.

**DISCUSSION:**

X Ray Services for Decedents and Contract for Services with Doctors Medical Center

In 1997, the Board of Supervisors approved a number of contractual agreements with Doctors Medical Center related to and making possible the closure of the county owned and operated Stanislaus Medical Center (SMC). These agreements addressed the closure transaction and assured the continued availability of certain health related services for the community, primarily those which were historically provided by SMC. While many of the agreements have been eliminated or replaced since 1997, the expiration of the Inpatient Hospital Services Agreement was November 30, 2017.

On November 21, 2017 the Board of Supervisors authorized the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to negotiate and execute a one-year extension with Doctors Medical Center (DMC) for the Inpatient Hospital Services Agreement. One critical service provided by DMC in the former Inpatient Hospital Services Agreement includes x-ray services for decedents under the jurisdiction of the Coroner. The Chief Operations Officer executed an initial 90 day extension prior to the one-year new agreement being put in place. After the 90 day period, DMC will be charging for these x-ray services needed by the Coroner.

Currently, the Coroner's Office requires an average of 100 x-rays on decedents annually. Transporting decedents to the hospital requires extensive staff time. The

decedent must be loaded and unloaded, driven to and from the hospital. The Detective must wait on-site while the full body x-rays are performed and the images are processed, taking time away from the investigation. There are occasions when hospital staff and visitors are exposed to uncomfortable scents as a result of decedents being transported through the hospital hallways.

Concurrent with the pending end to the 20 Year Inpatient Agreement with the hospital, Sheriff's Office staff had initiated an analysis to determine options to conduct x-ray services on decedent individuals at the Coroner's Office, eliminating the need for transportation. The new Sheriff-Coroners Facility has the facility capacity for this service; however the equipment had not yet been purchased. The Sheriff has completed this analysis and is recommending the purchase of modern x-ray equipment for the Coroner's Office.

Several other Counties, including Alameda and Yolo County Coroner's are now using a portable x-ray machine that allows x-rays to be performed on site without having to transport decedents to and from hospitals. The equipment identified for use by the Sheriff, the Source-Ray, Inc. SR-130 does not require a special room or extensive staff training. It has the ability to download images onto a laptop and a full body x-ray can be completed in three to four minutes.

This machine will reduce staff time dedicated to transporting decedents to and from hospital. There is no additional staffing impact to the use of this equipment and its acquisition will actually be more efficient for the Coroner in the provision of their responsibilities.

On December 8, 2017 the Board of Supervisors Health Executive Committee comprised of Supervisors Withrow and DeMartini considered this request and acted to support this recommendation to the full Board of Supervisors for approval.

**POLICY ISSUE:**

From a policy perspective, the Board of Supervisors seeks efficiency in County operations and the effective use of County Funds.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The mobile x-ray unit's cost is estimated to be less than \$60,000 and will be paid for using Honor Farm Insurance Settlement Fund proceeds. As of Fiscal Period November 2017, the Honor Farm Insurance Proceeds Fund had a balance of \$215,000.

The end of the 20 year Inpatient Agreement will result in this service no longer being provided free of charge from DMC. It is estimated that the cost per x-ray of a decedent individual will be up to \$600 per occurrence. Acquisition of the equipment will allow for the equipment cost of \$60,000 being recovered in approximately one year.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PRIORITY:**

Approval of this item is consistent with the Board's Priority of Efficient Delivery of Public Services and a Safe Community by ensuring the Sheriff's Corner's Office can perform its responsibilities in a timely and cost efficient manner.

**STAFFING IMPACT:**

This item will be successfully procured by staff from the General Services Agency, Sheriff's Department and the Chief Executive Office.

**CONTACT PERSON:**

Patricia Hill Thomas, Chief Operations Officer (209) 525-6333

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

1. Budget Journal

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<b>Explanation:</b>			
<b>Requesting Department</b>		<b>CEO</b>	<b>Auditors Office Only</b>
Andy Johnson	Becky Merideth		Kashmir Gill
Prepared by	Supervisor's Approval	Keyed by	Prepared By Approved By
12/14/2017	12/14/2017		12/14/2017
Date	Date	Date	Date