

## County of Santa Cruz

## AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE GARY A. KNUTSON, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

January 27, 1999 Agenda Date: February 2, 1999

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, California 95060

Dear Members of the Board:

Subject: Request to Purchase Used Personal Computer Video Projector

We have identified \$3,500 of projected savings in the 1990 Series C Certificates of Participation Construction fund related to the acquisition and installation of the County's Financial Management System. We would like to use those savings to purchase a used personal computer LCD projector.

Recently, I borrowed a demonstration model from a vendor that the County's Purchasing Agent recommended. The projector is a LCD Panasonic PT-L555U which sells new for \$5,495 plus interest and carrying case. The Vendor is selling last years demonstration models at a discounted price of \$3,477.60 including sales tax and warranty. This projector is light weight and can be used with other audio and video systems including sound systems, VCRs, and CAM recorders. This particular product can also make use of a PC Flash Memory Card which makes it possible to present slide shows without the use of a personal computer.

Our department has an ongoing need to use a LCD projector for Board of Supervisors' presentations, public presentations, county-wide training on the use of the new FAMIS version this fall and in-house training of audit and accounting personnel. In addition, the CAO would like to have access to this type of equipment. It is my intent that this machine would be primarily available for use on Tuesday Board Meetings and during Budget Hearings. Other uses would need to work around those scheduled events.

It is therefore recommended that your Board authorize the purchase of a LCD Projector out of savings in FAMIS allocation of the 1990 Series C Certificates of Participation Issue.

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Respectfully,

Auditor-Controller

Recommended By County Administrative Office

cc: County Counsel Purchasing Agent

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