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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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SOUTH COUNTY PERMIT CENTER

Members of the Board:

On September 23, 1999 your Board accepted a status report on efforts to establish a South County Permit Center and scheduled a **follow up** report for today's agenda.

Since that last report, we have concluded work with the County Administrative Office, Real Property and other County agencies to determine the extent to which there is a need for office facilities outside of the Government Center. As a result of that work, it appears that there is no need at this time for outside office facilities beyond that identified in relation to the Permit Center concept.

Planning and Real Property have conducted a survey of suitable office facilities between Soquel and Rio Del Mar with little success and have found very few sites available. Recently we contacted several local commercial realtors in an effort to expand our search and sources of information. Unfortunately, they have also found a very low vacancy rate in general and no available office space which meets our location and space needs. On a more positive note, they have suggested that several sites may become available in late December which may meet our needs. We will stay in contact with the agents representing those facilities.

We intend to continue to survey the South County area to locate potential facilities and provide your Board with a **further** report on or before your first meeting in January, 2000.

Sincerely,

ALVIN D. JAMES
Planning Director

RECOMMENDED:

SUSAN A. MAURIELLO
County Administrative Officer