



# County of Santa Cruz

Sheriff-Coroner

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Sheriff-Coroner

December 6, 2001

**AGENDA: December 11, 2001**

Board of Supervisors  
County of Santa Cruz  
701 Ocean Street  
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**RE:** Sheriffs South County Community Service Center

Dear Members of the Board:

The Sheriffs South County Community Service Center is located in a commercial development known as the Freedom Centre. This site was originally located in the unincorporated area of the County. In 1999, the property was annexed to the City of Watsonville as part of the Freedom/Carey Annexation.

At the time that the Freedom/Carey Annexation took place, the County Administrative Office determined that the Sheriff would need to phase out of the center since the policing responsibility for the area would be transferred to the City of Watsonville. Your Board directed that the County Administrative Office and the Sheriff work together to locate a suitable facility to meet the needs of the Sheriffs Office and the residents of the South County unincorporated area. The Sheriff and County Administrative Office are in the process of reviewing the potential for relocating the South County Service Center to Pinto Lake Park in the unincorporated area.

The Sheriffs Office current lease in the Freedom Centre terminates on December 31, 2001. At this time, the Real Property Division of Public Works has negotiated a one-month extension from the owner in order to provide the County with an opportunity to explore the Pinto Lake Park option more thoroughly. This will allow time to consult with the Parks Department regarding placement of a modular

structure onsite, identify a unit that meets the needs of the Sheriffs Office, with the goal of uninterrupted service to the residents of South County and formulate a transition plan. Based on our findings, the Sheriffs Office and Real Property are prepared to negotiate with the owner for further extending the lease as needed. If the Pinto Lake site proves viable, funds totaling \$120,000 are available in the Plant Budget for relocation costs associated with the South County Community Service Center.

It is, therefore, recommended that your Board:

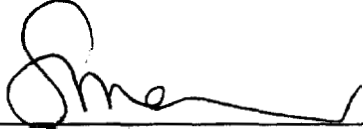
1. Accept and file report regarding the Sheriff's South County Community Service Center;
2. Authorize the Real Property Division of Public Works to negotiate a one month extension to the South County Community Service Center lease agreement;
3. Authorize the Real Property Agency to execute the amendment to the agreement on behalf of the County of Santa Cruz; and
4. Direct that the Sheriffs Office and County Administrative Office return on or before January 29, 2002 with a further report.

Sincerely,



Mark S. Tracy  
Sheriff-Coroner

RECOMMENDED:



Susan A. Mauriello  
County Administrative Officer

Attachments

cc: Real Property  
General Services  
Sheriff-Coroner