

County of Santa Cruz

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April 10, 2002

BOARD AGENDA: April 23,2002

Members of the Board of Supervisors Governmental Center 701 Ocean Street, Room 500 Santa Cruz, California 95060

RE: PROCUREMENT OF COMPUTERIZED DIGITAL STUDIO FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM

Dear Members of the Board:

On August 21, 2001, your Board approved the purchase of a computerized digital studio as a part of approving our re-application to the State Department of Insurance for the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program for fiscal year 2001-2002. The proposed cost at that time was \$2,800.

Since that time, technological advances and inflation have increased the equipment cost enough to again require your Board's approval prior to purchase. The new estimated cost for a computerized digital studio is \$4,000. There is sufficient funding from our Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program to cover the cost of this equipment.

We are still requesting the authority to purchase of a computerized digital studio because of its video graphic capability which can be used in the investigation of potentially fraudulent Workers' Compensation cases. The acquisition of this fixed asset has been approved by the Department of Insurance, and we are now requesting your Board's approval. We will work with the Auditor's Office and OCJP to ensure that this fixed asset will be accounted for under the County's and OCJP's requirements.

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THEREFORE, IT **I**S RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve the purchase of a computerized digital studio in the amount of \$4,000 with funding from the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program.

Sincerely,

KATHRYN CANLIS DISTRICT ATTORNEY COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

Approved:

SUSAN A. MAURIELLO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER eps

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