

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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SUBJECT: Santa Barbara Carpinteria Clinic Remodel and Lompoc Clinic Addition
1st District and 4th District

Recommendations:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve the plans and specifications for a project to construct an 835 square foot addition and to remodel the County Health Clinic in Carpinteria at 931 Walnut Avenue for an approximate construction cost of \$315,000.
- B. Approve the plans and specifications for a project to add a 5,670 square foot addition to the County Health Clinic in Lompoc at 301 N. "R" Street for an approximate construction cost of \$1,155,000
- C. Authorize the General Services Department to advertise both projects for public bidding.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendations are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2 Community Health and Safety: A safe and healthy community in which to live, work, and visit.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

- A. The Carpinteria project is an example of a win-win, collaborative agreement among all municipal parties. The County Health Clinic project is to construct an 835 square foot addition to the existing 2,228 square foot medical clinic in the Veterans Memorial Building. The County is in the process of merging the Veteran's Memorial Building and Carpinteria Historical Museum lots (both County owned) to keep the building coverage within the forty (40%) maximum allowed. The County will meet the parking requirements by leasing six (6) spaces from the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire District in exchange for moving the cellular antennae to the Veteran's Memorial Building. The Veterans Memorial Building is leased to the City of Carpinteria until 2100.

Service levels in Carpinteria have increased 40% over the past three years. The project adds three exam rooms, a laboratory or treatment room, a nurses' station, an office, a secure medical records room, and a handicapped toilet to the Carpinteria County Health Clinic. This will allow two "clinics" to operate concurrently, thereby doubling patient visit capacity. Primary care services will be offered 40 hours a week; now they are available 24 hours a week. It is anticipated that construction will start in mid-December or early January with occupancy by July 1, 2003.

- B. Your Board authorized the Lompoc County Health Clinic addition of 5,670 square feet to be bid as modular units on May 28, 2002. There was only one bid, from A.J. Diani Construction Company, for \$1,444,000. This bid was more than expected for portable buildings and more than the estimated construction cost of a permanent wooden structure tied to a concrete foundation. Therefore, we are asking your Board to authorize a second bid process for the construction of the addition to the Lompoc County Health Clinic.

Dr. Nygren, a Lompoc pediatrician, will retire at the end of the year. The Santa Barbara Regional Health Authority, the local Medi-Cal fiscal intermediary, will assign his Medi-Cal patients (1,200 infants and children) to the County Health Clinic in Lompoc for their care. This project will relocate the obstetrics, family planning, and Child Health Disability and Prevention (CHDP) program exams to a new Wellness Center with eleven exam rooms, four offices, four interview rooms, a lab room, and a large waiting area with a play alcove for children. Approximately 20 additional parking spaces, landscaping, and covered pedestrian access will be added to the vacant land immediately adjacent to the clinic. By creating the Wellness Center, space will be freed in the County Health Clinic to accommodate the additional 1,200 pediatric patients.

Mandates and Service Levels:

No change in mandates. The County is mandated under Welfare and Institutions Code 17000 to provide necessary medical care to the indigent.

- A. The Carpinteria expansion will allow services to increase from 6,081 annual patient visits up to 10,000 annual patient visits.
- B. The Lompoc addition will allow services to increase from 29,443 annual patient visits up to 37,500 annual patient visits.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

A. The Carpinteria project is estimated to cost \$65,000 in design, \$315,000 in construction, \$45,000 for furniture and fixtures, and \$69,000 in other costs for a total project cost of \$494,000. It is being funded with the Department's designated special revenue funds for capital outlay. Some of the funds for this project have already been transferred to the County General Services Department for management and distribution for project related expenditures in Fiscal Year 2001-02. The remainder of the funding has been appropriated as part of the FY 2002-03 Operating Plan for the County and will be transferred to the General Services Department for project management. The funding can be found on page D-162 of the FY 2002-03 Operating Plan under "Operating Transfers".

- B. The Lompoc project is estimated to cost an additional \$16,000 in design (\$60,200 already expended), \$1,155,000 in construction, \$201,900 for furniture and fixtures, and \$40,800 in other costs for a total project

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cost of \$1,473,900. It is being funded with the Department's designated special revenue funds for capital outlay. A budget adjustment to the County's FY 2002-03 Operating Plan will follow this action. This will have the result of increasing the "Operating Transfers" expenditure line item on page D-162 of the FY 2002-03 budget from \$5,019,006 to \$6,174,006.

Special Instructions:

None

Concurrence:

General Services