



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: General Services
Department No.: 063
For Agenda Of: October 27, 2009
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: General Services Bob Nisbet, Director (805) 560-1011
General Services Department
Contact Info: Paddy Langlands, Assistant Director (805) 568-3096
Support Services Division
SUBJECT: **Santa Barbara Historical Museum Lease Agreement/Curation of Archaeological Collection; ORES 001115; First Supervisorial District**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Manager

As to form Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Receive and file attached Santa Barbara Historical Museum Letter, dated August 20, 2009, seeking a facility to permanently curate the archaeological collection recovered during the remediation of the Santa Barbara I Manufactured Gas Plant site which is situated on a portion of property owned by the County of Santa Barbara, located at 136 East De La Guerra Street, Santa Barbara and leased by the Museum; and
- b) Approve the execution of the Letter request relinquishing all rights and ownership of the collection and its contents and authorize permanent curation of the collection in a State of California certified facility, by authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Letter attached thereto, and require Santa Barbara Historical Museum to notify the County on the selection of that permanent curation facility.
- c) Authorize the Santa Barbara Historical Museum as the County's representative to ensure that the collection is made available to interested researchers, and to retain the right to use and display material from the collection into the future, and seeks an alternative repository for permanent curation of the collection.

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Summary Text:

The Board's acknowledgment and execution of the attached Santa Barbara Historical Museum Letter will relinquish all rights and ownership of the collection and its contents and authorize permanent curation of the collection in a State of California certified facility, and require the Museum to notify the County of its selection on that permanent curation facility.

Background:

See attached letter.

The Office of Real Estate Services supports the Museum to seek a facility to permanently house the archaeological collection found on a portion of property owned by the County and leased to the Museum. The Museum has expertise in this field of historical resources and is committed to seeing the collection housed with an appropriate entity.

If the Museum is unable to secure a location for such a facility, then the Museum will notify the Office of Real Estate Services and together we will seek an alternative facility.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

No cost to the County.

Special Instructions: Please forward a Minute Order and the executed Letter to Office of Real Estate Services, Attn: Ronn Carlentine.

Attachments:

Santa Barbara Historical Museum Letter, dated August 20, 2009

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