

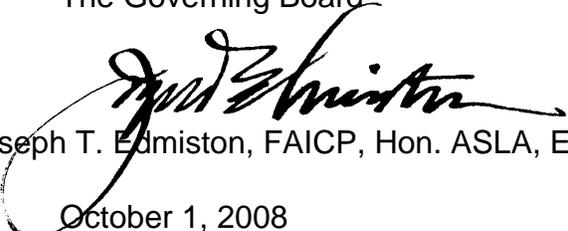


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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: October 1, 2008

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item: V(e) Consideration of resolution authorizing a professional services contract with Simon Maguire for Information Technology and Computer Support Services.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Simon Computer Systems in an amount not to exceed \$90,000 annually for Information Technology and Computer Support Services.

Background: The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority maintains over 100 networked computers and field computers for its staff with a multitude of applications including e-mail, mapping, graphic arts, word processing, landscape and construction design, and government accounting software. It also maintains six servers at four office locations.

Simon Maguire was formerly employed by the MRCA from 2002-2004 to provide Information Technology and computer support to the agency. He was project manager when the agency networked its computers at multiple locations. His knowledge and understanding of the unique needs and constraints of the Agency and its computer and software equipment is exceptional. He has considerable expertise in providing support to the Agency in an efficient and timely manner.

In 2000 the Governing Board authorized a sole source contract with Simon Maguire for Information Technology and Computer Support Services. Since that time, the contractor has provided excellent computer support services for the agency, including setting up the new servers and operating systems at King Gillette Ranch.

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Simon Maguire is now principal of Simon Computer Systems. The type and level of support provided by Simon Computer Systems to the MRCA will be consistent with that provided henceforth.