



Contra  
Costa  
County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director  
Date: January 17, 2017

Subject: Purchase Order with American Messaging Services, Inc.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

Approve and authorize the Purchasing Agent, on behalf of the Health Services Department, to execute a Purchase Order with American Messaging Services, Inc. in the amount of \$160,000 for the rental of pagers used by staff at the Contra Costa Regional Medical Center (CCRMC) and the Contra Costa Health Centers from January 7, 2017 through January 6, 2019.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

100% funding is included in the Hospital Enterprise Fund I Budget.

**BACKGROUND:**

American Messaging Services, Inc. provides pagers used by the CCRMC and the Contra Costa Health Centers. Currently Health Services rents more than 900 pagers from this vendor. It is vital that the CCRMC and the Contra Costa Health Centers be able to contact employees to be able to direct them to where they are needed during a disaster or during a normal working day. American Messaging Services, Inc. handles the paging services for every agency in the County, thus enabling the County to standardize communications needs in the event of a disaster.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/17/2017** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: January 17, 2017

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Rolanda Hartfield, Deputy

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CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this Purchase Order is not approved Health Services will find it difficult to communicate with other County departments in the event of a disaster or during a normal work day. Cell phones do not get service all over the hospital and pagers are important to be able to reach doctors for medical emergencies.