

**Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the  
County of Monterey, State of California**

**Resolution No.**

Resolution of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors to:

- a. Receive a report from the Resource Management Agency – Planning (RMA-Planning) on the County Historian function
- b. Amend the FY 2013-14 RMA-Planning Unit 8172 to add one Allocation TBD; and
- c. Authorize the Human Resources Department and County Administrative Office to make the adjustment in the Department’s Budget as approved by the Board.

(REF130087/County Historian)

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Code (MCC), 2010 General Plan, and State law require the protection of historic resources and analysis of a land use application’s potential impacts on historic resources;

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinances of the County (Titles 20 and 21) have requirements for the protection, processing, and review of historic structures and the structures within Historic Resources overlay zoning districts, which requires the expertise of a historian;

WHEREAS, in 1999, the Parks Department took over the duties through its Museum Director/Historian position; however the duties have now been returned to RMA-Planning;

WHEREAS, no funding has been allocated to RMA-Planning for the position and the Parks Department is no longer able to provide the historian services to RMA-Planning;

WHEREAS, as defined in MCC section 18.25.030, RMA-Planning is required to provide staff to the Historic Resources Review Board (HRRB), including serving as Secretary to the HRRB, establishing the agenda, coordinating review of projects, seeking funding for historic studies, and taking minutes and preparing resolutions for the HRRB;

WHEREAS, RMA-Planning staff must monitor existing Mills Act contracts (MCC Chapter 18.27);

WHEREAS, the 2010 General Plan has policies that require development of certain programs, plans and guidelines and requires significant effort toward the preservation of historic resources in general;

WHEREAS, RMA-Planning does not currently have existing staff with the expertise required in historical resources or architectural history to fulfill the statutory requirements, the historian skills and knowledge must meet the United States Secretary of the Interior’s Professional Qualifications Standards;

WHEREAS, without an in-house expert, every applicant altering a structure that is over 50 years old is required to obtain a historical assessment;

WHEREAS, staff is charged with providing its independent judgment on protecting historic resources, and is sometimes put in the position of having competing historians on applications, requiring an independent analysis from a County expert; and

WHEREAS, to comply with the legal and policy requirements, RMA-Planning is recommending performing a classification study to hire staff to provide the necessary tasks.

**DECISION**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors hereby:

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PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014, by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book\_\_\_ for the meeting on \_\_\_\_\_.

Dated:

Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Monterey, State of California

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy