

June 28, 2005

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Amendment to agreement with Ross Valley Fire Department for the provision of Fire Protection services.

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that your Board:

1. Approve third amendment to agreement with the Ross Valley Fire Department for a month-to-month extension, in an amount not to exceed \$2,637.58 monthly for up to twelve months.

SUMMARY: In February of 2000 the County entered into an agreement with the Ross Valley Fire Department for the provision of fire protection services for the unincorporated area between the Town of Fairfax and Town of San Anselmo. Through this agreement, Ross Valley has provided fire suppression; emergency medical and rescue services; public services related to immediate threat to life or property and initial response services for all grass, brush and watershed areas within the contract area. The initial contract was first amended in February 2002 to extend the agreement for an additional three years.

In February of 2005 the contract was extended an additional five months to allow for further negotiations around the costing mechanisms of the contract and to allow the new contract to correspond with a fiscal year calendar. While negotiations have gone well, and a tentative agreement has been reached, the absence of members from the Ross Valley Fire District (RVFD) Board has delayed consideration and ratification of the agreement. The RVFD Board will be taking the contract up at their next Board meeting July 9, 2005, at which time we are hopeful the contract will be approved.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for the agreement is budgeted in account 102-341-2355.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Riesenfeld
County Administrator

cc: Ken Massucco, MCFD Fire Chief