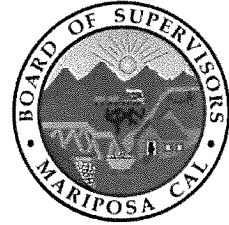


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RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2018-74

MEETING: February 20, 2018

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mike Healy, Public Works Director

RE: Approve Rental Agreement Between County of Mariposa and Skydive Yosemite, LLC

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve a Rental Agreement for commercial use of a portion of the Mariposa-Yosemite Airport between the County of Mariposa and Skydive Yosemite, LLC; and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Agreement.

A number of months ago a new business venture, Skydive Yosemite, LLC, approached the County regarding the viability of operating a recreational skydiving business based at the Mariposa-Yosemite Airport. Skydive Yosemite gave a detailed presentation to the Airport Advisory Committee who voted unanimously to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that this entity be allowed to operate its business which centers on offering tandem skydiving jumps to the general public and certification maintenance jumps for experienced and certified skydivers.

Upon receipt of this entity's business plan, insurance and contract proposal staff has been working internally with County Counsel, Board liaisons for the airport and Airborn Aviation Services, LLC, the County's contract airport operator, to insure that permitting this operation causes no operational conflicts and to reach an operating agreement and insurance requirements that satisfy the risk management thresholds of the County. Staff has had conversations with both the FAA and the CA Department of Transportation, Aviation Division, and have been assured that there is no prohibition or adverse effects to the County should the Board grant this aeronautical operation.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Staff is unaware of any previous Board Actions of this specific activity type but the Board has traditionally approved facility uses and programs that bring additional recreational opportunities both to our local residents and visitors.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

There is no adverse consequence to a negative action other than the loss of this recreational activity.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Airport Advisory Committee and staff sees no negative financial impact to granting this operational activity.

ATTACHMENTS:

Skydive Yosemite LLC--Final (DOCM)

Skydive Yosemite LLC Business plan (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Miles Menetrey, District V Supervisor

SECONDER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor

AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey