

October 17, 2001

Honorable Mayor and Members of
the Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of
October 23, 2001

<p>RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION FOR THE 2001-02 FISCAL YEAR</p>

Recommendation:

That the City Council approve the attached agreement with the South Bay Center for Dispute Resolution.

Background:

The South Bay Center for Dispute Resolution agreement was for a portion of the last fiscal year, as we changed providers last fall. The attached agreement is for the entire 2001-02 fiscal year under the same terms and conditions.

The number of cases has been increasing and, if the trend continues, it will probably be necessary to increase the budget allocation for this service. Staff will report at mid-year on the activity level.

The service is a very valuable one offered to our residents and used by several City departments to help solve various kinds of disputes.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen R. Burrell
City Manager