

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY**

DEPT: DISTRICT ATTORNEY

BOARD AGENDA # *B-6

Urgent _____ Routine X

AGENDA DATE March 13, 2001

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES PA NO _____
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES _____ NO X

SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO INCLUDE A FOUNTAIN AND FENCING IN THE PLANS FOR THE GARDEN OF HEALING FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME

**STAFF
RECOMMEN-
DATIONS:**

1. APPROVE THE INCLUSION OF A FOUNTAIN IN THE PLANS FOR THE GARDEN OF HEALING FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME ON THE COURTHOUSE LAWN.
2. APPROVE USE OF COUNTY WATER AND ELECTRICITY TO OPERATE THE FOUNTAIN.
3. APPROVE A WROUGHT IRON FENCE ENCIRCLING THE GARDEN.

**FISCAL
IMPACT:**

Cost of the fountain has been donated by private sponsors. Six hundred (\$600.00) has been donated by Lois Ables. Remaining costs, including the design, will be donated by Vintage Pools.

Cost of the fencing has been secured in the Victim Witness Program budget and through donated funds. If approved, bids will be sought through the purchasing department.

BOARD ACTION

No. 2001-185

On motion of Supervisor Mayfield, Seconded by Supervisor Caruso,
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Mayfield, Blom, Caruso, and Chair Paul

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: Simon

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) _____ Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) X Approved as amended

Motion:

THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AND
PLACED ON NON-CONSENT FOR DISCUSSION

AMENDED TO ADD A FOURTH STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO
ACCEPT THE GIFT OF TIME, MATERIALS AND SERVICES PROVIDED
FROM JIM RENDE, VINTAGE POOLS AND LOIS ABLES

Christine Ferraro

File No.

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DISCUSSION: The District Attorney's Office received approval from the Board at the March 16, 1999 meeting to develop a garden on the Courthouse lawn in recognition of victims of crime. The garden was later named the Garden of Healing for Victims' of Crime.

The plans that were submitted to the Board in March of 1999 had not been drawn by a professional architect. After receiving approval from the Board an architect (Jim Rende) was located who was willing to donate his time and talent to draw a blueprint and Site Plan of the garden. Mr. Rende suggested some improvements to the garden and was encouraged to incorporate those recommendations into the plan. The results of Mr. Rende's Site Plan includes a fountain and a fence, which were not included in the plan submitted to the Board in March 1999. Mr. Rende's Site Plan is a great improvement over the simple plan that was originally submitted to the Board. The garden plan has been evolving and improving as we complete each stage and plan for the next. Stage one was completed in April 2000; stage two is to be completed in April 2001 and the third and final stage will be completed in April 2002. A fountain would be a great asset to the garden, adding beauty and the peaceful sound of running water to a project whose purpose is to develop a place of peace and tranquility for crime victims.

Vintage Pools has designed a fountain for the garden and will donate costs of labor and materials over the amount of six hundred dollars (\$600.00). Six hundred dollars for the fountain has already been donated by Lois Ables, the mother of a homicide victim. Essentially Vintage Pools is donating the fountain, the cost of which will be well over \$600.00.

An attractively detailed wrought iron fence will also bring beauty to the project as it protects the plants and flowers, planned for phase three of the garden, from being trampled. The fence will also give the project distinction from the rest of the Courthouse lawn and lend the site special recognition as the Victims' Garden of Healing.

Cost of the fencing would be secured from the Victim/Witness Program's existing budget and donated funds. If approved, bids will be sought through the Purchasing Department.

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The District Attorney's Office has been coordinating with the Parks Department on the project and has received no opposition to the garden plans.

Please refer to the attachments to view a copy of the Site Plan and fountain design.

POLICY

ISSUE:

The Board must determine the merits of allowing a fountain and wrought iron fence to be included in the plans for the Garden of Healing for Victims' of Crime.

STAFFING

IMPACT:

No staffing impacts will occur based on this Board action request.

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EXISTING

DEDICATION
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
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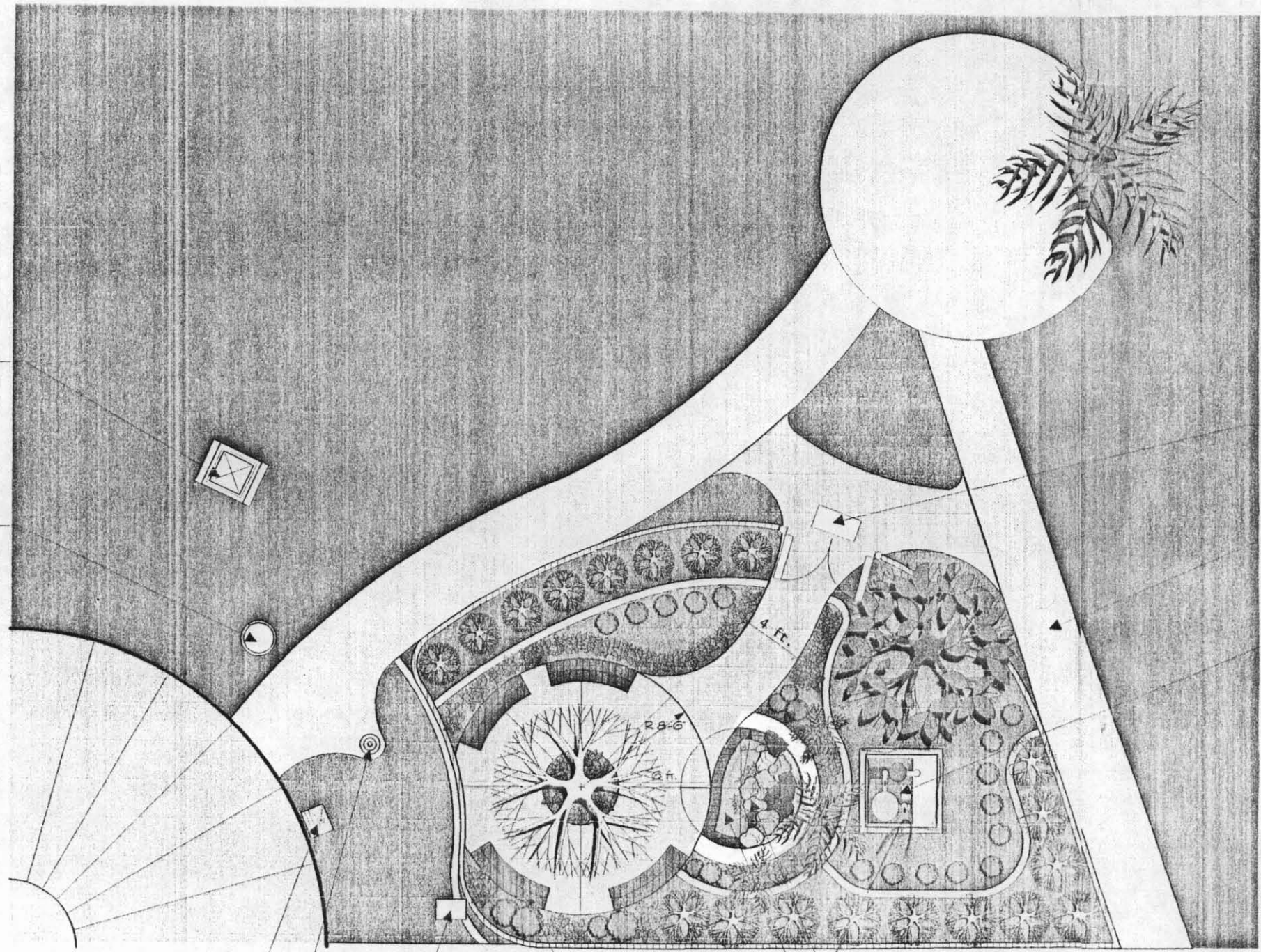
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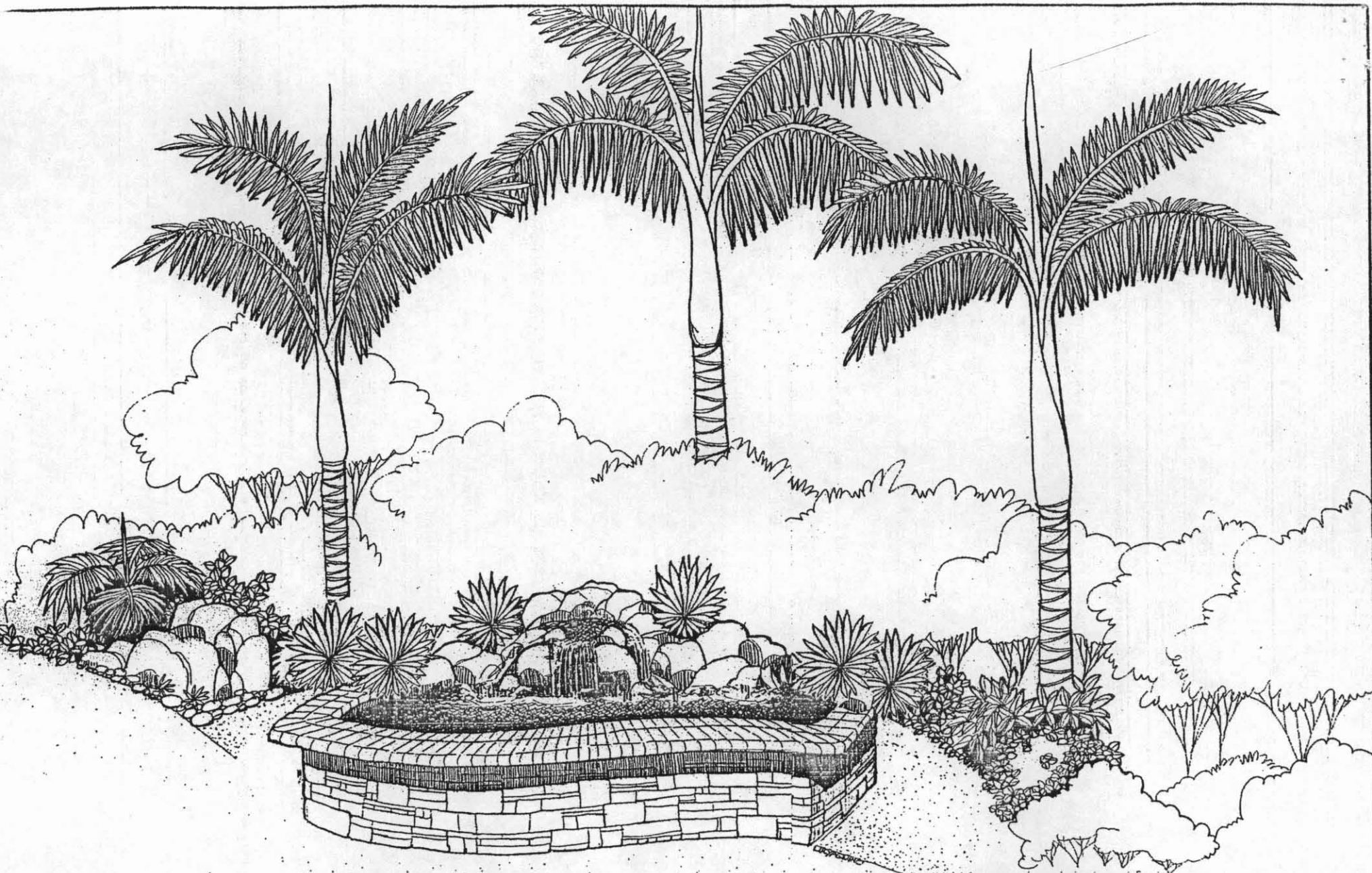
EXISTING DRINKING FOUNTAIN

EXISTING FLAG POLE

BENCH

2' HIGH NATURAL ROCK WATERFALL





A natural pool designed for:

**GARDEN OF HEALING AND RESTORATION
FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME**

DATE 10/31/00

SCALE 1/8" = 1'-0"

**The
Vintage
COMPANY**