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**JURY FINDS MONTEREY WOMAN GUILTY OF
PETTY THEFT**

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that on January 10, 2017, Yasmin Vega, a resident of Monterey, was found guilty by jury of petty theft.

On February 7, 2016, Vega entered the Sand City Costco store and concealed a cosmetics bag in her purse. After exiting the store without paying for the item, Vega was contacted by a Costco employee, who recovered the stolen item. Costco's security system recorded the theft.

Monterey Superior Court Judge Efren Iglesia presided over the trial and sentenced Vega to one day in Monterey County Jail and three years of informal probation. Vega was ordered to stay away from Sand City Costco for the period of probation. Sand City Police Officer David Blaul investigated this case.

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