



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Parks
Department No.: 052
For Agenda Of: 04/15/2008
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department
Director Daniel C. Hernandez, Director of Parks (568-2461)
Contact Info: Ginny Brush, Arts Commission Executive Director (568-3992)

SUBJECT: Execution of Arts Sustainability Grant Agreement with the City of Santa Barbara

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors approve the execution of a grant agreement with the City of Santa Barbara, in the amount of \$50,000, for FY 2008-09 expenses associated with an Arts Sustainability Demonstration Grant pilot program.

Summary Text:

The City of Santa Barbara, as part of its overall public art efforts, wishes to contract with the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission to conduct a one-year pilot program of mini-grants to be administered by the Arts Commission. The grant provides \$50,000 in funds from the City of Santa Barbara's Redevelopment Agency to be designated as follows: (1) \$10,000 in funding for research on sustainable funding models and solutions, and a community arts needs assessment; and (2) \$40,000 to be administered in the form of mini-grants designated as "Next Generation Grants." The goal of the pilot program is to demonstrate how neighborhood-based arts projects contribute to the interconnectedness and cultural vitality of our community.

Background:

The City of Santa Barbara has a 24-year history of contracting with the County Arts Commission to provide funding for cooperative arts and cultural programs. The City's contribution continues to leverage State and private funding that provides additional services to residents and visitors. Service elements include administrative resources and staff support of City committees and technical assistance and training to artists, cultural organizations, and City agencies.

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The Arts Sustainability Demonstration Grant program will be implemented with \$50,000 in funding from the City's Redevelopment Agency (RDA). The Santa Barbara County Arts Commission will act as the fiscal agent for the program providing leadership and oversight of grant contracts. A portion of the grant (\$10,000) will fund a study of current community arts and a cultural inventory of programs and facilities as well as research into regional, national, and international models and solutions that sustain arts in neighborhoods and communities. Findings will be summarized in a white paper to be made available to the public. The remaining \$40,000 from the grant will be earmarked for mini-grants targeted at arts-related projects and programs that are geared towards underserved youths and families in the Central City Redevelopment Project Area.

Information on the Arts Sustainability Demonstration Grant pilot program and community arts needs assessment will be made available at the Arts Commission's Annual Arts Symposium, which will be held on April 4, 2008.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

There is no increase in the County's General Fund Contribution to the Arts Commission. Revenue resulting from this grant agreement, in the amount of \$50,000, will initially be deposited into the Arts Trust Fund (#1001) and transferred to the Arts Commission's General Fund budget to cover actual expenses. The revenue and expenditures associated with this grant will be included in the Arts Commission's recommended FY 2008-09 budget.

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time FY 2008-09 Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other: City of Santa Barbara's			
Redevelopment Agency			\$ 50,000.00
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00

Special Instructions:

Clerk of the Board to send two copies and two duplicate original copies of "Grant Agreement No. 497" between the County of Santa Barbara and the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Santa Barbara to Brenda Alcazar, Chief Deputy City Clerk, City of Santa Barbara. Please send one copy of "Grant Agreement No. 497" to Linda Gardy, Departmental Analyst, County Arts Commission.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – City of Santa Barbara's Redevelopment Agency Grant Agreement No. 497

Authored by:

Ginny Brush, Executive Director, Santa Barbara County Arts Commission

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