



County of Santa Barbara

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

April 23, 2024

Present: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

File Reference No. 24-00359

RE: Consider recommendations regarding Funding for Grant Writing Expenses Supporting the Development of Solar, Storage and Microgrid projects, as follows: (4/5 Vote Required)

- a) Authorize the Community Services Director to utilize up to \$50,000.00 from the Departmental Sustainability Fund Balance for the purpose of grant writing expenses;
- b) Approve Budget Revision Request No. 0009673 appropriating \$50,000.00 from the Departmental Sustainability Fund Balance;
- c) Receive an update that the Community Services Director plans to submit grant applications to Federal, State and other funding opportunities that support the development of solar, storage and microgrid projects in Santa Barbara County that do not require a Board Resolution and contingent upon approval from County Executive Office; and
- d) Determine that the above recommended actions are not the approval of a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), finding that the project is a creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which does not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hartmann, seconded by Supervisor Nelson, that this matter be acted on as follows:

- a) Authorized;
- b) Approved;
- c) Received; and
- d) Approved.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino