



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Fire Department
Department No.: 031
For Agenda Of: 10-6-20
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: N/A
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Mark Hartwig, Fire Chief, 805-681-5500
Director(s)
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SUBJECT: Acceptance of Non-Cash Vehicle Donation of \$57,000 from the Santa Barbara Firefighters Alliance to the Santa Barbara County Fire Department

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board Supervisors:

- a) Authorize the County of Santa Barbara Fire Protection District to accept a non-cash vehicle donation of \$57,000 from the Santa Barbara Firefighters Alliance, a non-profit organization; and
- b) Approve Budget Revision Request #BJE-0007217 (Attachment B); and
- c) Determine that the above recommended actions do not constitute a project subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), finding that the actions are the creation of a governmental funding mechanism or other government fiscal activity, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

The recommended action by the Board of Supervisors to accept the referenced non-cash donation is in accordance with California Government Code Section 25355, and Policies & Procedures for the Acceptance of Donations and Gifts to the County. The donation referenced in this board letter will provide

an important resource to the Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District and its operational area partners for disaster rescue efforts.

The donated Ford F450 pick truck, valued at \$57,000, will be used by the Santa Barbara County Type III Incident Management Team and for other logistical purposes.

Background:

In June of 2020, the Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District submitted a donation request to the Santa Barbara Firefighters Alliance for a 2020 Ford F-450 pickup truck to support the Type III Incident Management Team. In June 2020, the Firefighters Alliance generously approved the request of \$57,000, which included a \$25,000 private grant and an additional donation of \$32,000 from the Alliance.

Santa Barbara County has the most qualified and highly utilized Type III Incident Management Team (IMT) in the State. The IMT is comprised of all Santa Barbara County operational area fire departments and law enforcement agencies. The IMT works closely with the County Office of Emergency Management, Public Health, and other County and city agencies. When activated, the IMT deploys a trailer that is used specifically for the IMT to develop incident action plans and houses tools and equipment for management of major incidents within the county. The F-450 pick-up truck is needed to tow the IMT trailer to incidents and relocate the trailer as needed.

All members of the community who are susceptible to various emergencies and disasters within our county will benefit from this equipment. Some of the incidents the IMT has responded to in recent years include the Whittier Fire, Sherpa Fire, Holiday Fire, Montecito Debris Flow, Conception Boat Fire and the COVID-19 pandemic. Securing a vehicle with the towing capacity for the IMT trailer will be invaluable in freeing other vehicles for other critical uses. This pick-up truck will support all jurisdictions within the County of Santa Barbara.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
Other: Donation & Grant			\$ 57,000.00
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 57,000.00

Narrative:

The Santa Barbara Firefighters Alliance, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, will purchase the vehicle, and donate the purchased vehicle to the County. The referenced donation is not budgeted and will be an increase in appropriations. The associated Budget Revision is attached. The vehicle donation of \$57,000 will be accounted for as a one-time appropriation of Miscellaneous Revenue-Other Capital Donations.

Attachments:

- A. Santa Barbara Firefighters Alliance Support Proposal and Donation Backup

B. Budget Revision Request #BJE-0007217

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