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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Department Name:

Community Services

Department Number:

057

Agenda Date:

August 18, 2026

Placement:

Administrative Agenda

Estimated Time:

N/A

Continued Item:

No

If Yes, date from:

N/A

Vote Required:

Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Director(s): Jesús Armas, Director, Community Services Department

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CONTACT: Garrett Wong, Sustainability Division Manager

SUBJECT: Contract Amendments for Community Environmental Council and Quail Springs
Regarding Resilient Cuyama Valley Initiative (1st Supervisorial District)

Concurrences:

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute the first amendment to the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Community Environmental Council (Attachment B) to amend the contract term from August 30, 2026, to March 31, 2027;
- b) Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute the first amendment to the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with True Nature Society dba Quail Springs (Attachment D) to amend the contract term from August 30, 2026, to March 31, 2027; and
- c) Determine that the recommended actions do not constitute a project subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 as the actions consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures,

facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

Summary Text:

Staff request that the Board authorize the Chair to execute amendments to the agreements with Community Environmental Council (CEC) and Quail Springs (QS) to extend the contract term from August 30, 2026, to March 31, 2027.

Discussion:

California Strategic Growth Council’s (SGC) Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) program offers grants for planning, project development, and implementation to facilitate community readiness for future funding to implement and construct projects.

In 2024, the County was awarded a \$1.04 million TCC grant to implement various activities such as home energy retrofits, victory gardens, greywater systems and pedestrian improvements around Cuyama Valley in partnership with the following community-based organizations:

- QS is a local non-profit in Cuyama Valley that specializes in education and programming to support watershed sustainability and resilience.
- CEC is a regional non-profit that specializes in outreach and programs to support climate action and resilience in the tri-county region.

Separate from the recommended action, staff executed an amendment to the grant agreement with SGC to extend the grant term to March 2027 to ensure completion of grant-funded projects with adequate time for closeout administration and to allow partners to focus on another grant application due this year.

Staff request that the Board authorize the Chair to amend the agreement with CEC and QS to extend the contract term from August 30, 2026, to March 31, 2027. The recommended amendments only modify the term and do not change approved funding levels.

Background:

On July 16, 2024, the Board approved the TCC grant agreement with the SGC.

On August 20, 2024, the Board authorized the Chair to execute an agreement with CEC for an amount not to exceed \$114,349 to implement activities funded by the TCC grant.

On August 20, 2024, the Board authorized the Chair to execute an agreement with QS for an amount not to exceed \$252,769 to implement activities funded by the TCC grant.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

N/A

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Source	FY 25/26	FY 26/27	Total
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
State	\$183,559	\$183,559	\$367,118
Total	\$183,559	\$183,559	\$367,118

The agreement with CEC and QS is funded by the TCC grant on a reimbursement basis. There are no impacts to the General Fund.

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Special Instructions:

Upon Board approval, please send executed amendments to Malia Josephine at mjosephine@countyofsb.org.

Attachments:

Att. A – Community Environmental Council Agreement Original

Att. B – Community Environmental Council First Amendment (Signature Needed)

Att. C – Quail Springs Agreement Original

Att. D – Quail Springs First Amendment (Signature Needed)

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