



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**      **Agenda Number:**  
**AGENDA LETTER**

**Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**  
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**Department Name:** General Services  
**Department No.:** 063  
**For Agenda Of:** July 10, 2012  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Tme:**  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** General Services      Bob Nisbet, Director (805) 560-1011  
Contact Info: Paddy Langlands, Assistant Director (805) 568-3096  
Support Services Division  
**SUBJECT:**      **Safe Parking Program on County Property: Fifth Amendment to the License and Service Agreement; ORES 003506; First and Second Districts**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Manager

As to form Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and execute the original and duplicate original Fifth Amendment to License and Service Agreement between New Beginnings Counseling Center and the County of Santa Barbara for the Safe Parking Program on County property to extend the term on a year to year basis not to exceed 10 years, or until either party gives the other 10-days written notice to terminate (First and Second Districts); and
  
- b) Approve the Notice of Exemption from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 – Class 1 consists of the operation, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alterations of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use.

**Summary Text:**

This Board action will amend the existing Agreement to enable this community based program to continue on a year to year basis not to exceed 10 years, or until either party gives 10-days written notice to the other. The Safe Parking Program allows individuals or families living in their recreational vehicles or automobiles a safe and sanitary overnight parking area on a short term basis while they transition to more permanent housing. Currently there are 15 parking spaces allocated in the County Administration Building parking lot at Victoria Street in Santa Barbara and 10 parking spaces allocated in the Social Services south parking lot at the Calle Real Campus in Santa Barbara.

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**Background:**

The Safe Parking Program has been operating at the County Administration Building parking lot since the Board's approval on November 4, 2003. Due to the success of the Program, the Board of Supervisors extended the Program for an additional year on August 16, 2005, with the approval of the First Amendment and adoption of Ordinance 4574. With the Board's approval of the Second Amendment on August 1, 2006, the Program was extended for a three (3)-year term and the total of designated parking spaces was increased from 5 to 10 in the Santa Barbara Administration parking lot. The Second Amendment required the adoption of Ordinance 4615, which granted the Board of Supervisors the authority to expand overnight camping or sleeping on [County] public property in other locations and to continue the Program without necessitating the lengthy process of amending the County Code. With the Board's approval of the Third Amendment on December 1, 2009, the Program was extended for a three (3)-year term and the total of designated parking spaces was increased from 10 to 15 in the Santa Barbara Administration parking lot, and 5 designated parking spaces were added at the Social Services south parking lot at the Calle Real Campus in Santa Barbara. On October 12, 2010, the Fourth Amendment was approved by the Board for an additional 5 designated parking spaces in the Social Services south parking lot in Calle Real Campus in Santa Barbara.

The existing License Agreement is due to expire on August 31, 2012. Due to the minimal County costs of the program, the General Services Department supports extending the term.

**New Beginnings Counseling Center:**

New Beginnings currently operates the Safe Parking Program to provide safe overnight parking for individuals and families who find themselves living in their vehicles. The program is a cooperative between New Beginnings, area churches, non-profits, and participating institutions that provide parking places for vehicle dwellers registered with the New Beginnings program. The program currently includes various dispersed locations in the County. The purpose of the program is to provide a level of stability needed for vehicle dwellers to effectively make positive changes in their lives. New Beginnings have assisted 687 homeless people living in their vehicles through the Safe Parking Program this year alone.

**Current Safe Parking Program Locations:**

Churches

Old Mission (5 vehicles) 2201 Laguna, SB  
Shoreline Community (5) 935 San Andres, SB  
Christ Lutheran (5) 6595 Covington, Goleta  
St. Marks (5) 6550 Picasso Rd., IV  
St. Athanasius (4) 1205 San Antonio Creek, SB  
Holy Cross (4) 1740 Cliff Dr., SB  
Trinity Episcopal (1 RV) 1500 State St, SB

County Lots

Administrative Lot (15) 105 E. Anapamu, SB  
FoodBank (5) 4554 Hollister Ave., SB  
Social Services south parking lot (10),  
Calle Real SB

Businesses

111 Santa Barbara St. (1 RV)  
526 Laguna St. (1)  
420 E. Gutierrez St. (1)

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**Current Safe Parking Program Locations (continued):**

City Lots (RV's only)

Cota/Santa Barbara St. (3)  
Carrillo/Castillo St. (8)  
Garden/Cabrillo St. (3)

Non-Profits

United Way (5) 320 E. Gutierrez St.  
Catholic Charities (5) 609 E. Haley St.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

1. The estimated costs to the County for this program are approximately \$1,464 annually for a portable restroom and administrative oversight costs. The General Services Department budget has sufficient funds to cover these costs.
2. New Beginnings Counseling Center will continue to fund the costs associated with operating and managing the program, except those costs discussed in item #1 above.

**Special Instructions:**

Please forward the duplicate original and Minute Order to Office of Real Estate Services, Attn: Ronn Carlentine.

Note: The Clerk should post the Notice of Exemption.

**Attachments:**

1. Original and duplicate original Fifth Amendment to the License and Services Agreement
2. Notice of Exemption (CEQA)

**Authored by:**

RC, Office of Real Estate Services