



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Board of Supervisors  
**Department No.:** 011  
**For Agenda Of:** 04/02/2024  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:**  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Board Member(s) Board of Supervisors, Third District Office  
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**SUBJECT:** **Authorization of funding from Third District 990 fund balance for \$20,000 for a Joint Grant Management Agreement between the Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians, the County of Santa Barbara, City of Solvang, and City of Buellton for a joint submission for the Caltrans Active Transportation Program Cycle 7 Infrastructure Grant for the Santa Ynez Valley Regional Connector Transportation Project**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management: Yes

As to form: N/A

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:** That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a Joint Grant Management Agreement (Agreement) between the County of Santa Barbara, the Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians, the City of Solvang, and the City of Buellton to support a grant application and potential award under Caltrans Active Transportation (ATP) Program Cycle 7 Infrastructure Grant program with a period of performance from April 3, 2024 through the end date of the grant if awarded with a total amount not to exceed \$80,000 (\$20,000 from each entity);
- b) Approve and authorize the contribution of, and not-to-exceed an amount of \$20,000, from the FY 2023-24 Third District General County Programs Department 990 discretionary funding for the Agreement;
- c) Find that coordination on this Joint Grant Management Agreement provides a community benefit that meets the social needs of the County; and
- d) Determine that the above actions are organizational or administrative activities of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment and are not a project

under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines.

**Summary Text:**

Upon the adoption of the County's 2023-2024 Annual Budget, each Supervisorial District was allocated discretionary funding to direct to projects and/or programs in the County in need of funding that meet the social needs of the community. These funding requests are to come back to the full Board of Supervisors on the Administrative Agenda for majority approval.

This action will authorize \$20,000 for the Third District to use its portion of discretionary funding for a Joint Grant Management Agreement to be managed by the Chumash Indians for coordinated submission to the Caltrans ATP Cycle 7 Infrastructure Grant for the Santa Ynez Valley Regional Connector Transportation Project – the grant application is due June 17, 2024.

**Background:**

The goals of the ATP include, but are not limited to, increasing the proportion of trips accomplished by walking and biking, increasing the safety and mobility of non-motorized users, advancing efforts of regional agencies to achieve greenhouse gas reduction goals, enhancing public health, and providing a broad spectrum of projects to benefit many types of users including disadvantaged communities.

Since its inception, the ATP has funded over 800 active transportation projects across the state benefiting both urban and rural areas. More than 400 of the funded projects are Safe Routes to Schools projects and programs that encourage a healthy and active lifestyle throughout students' lives. In addition, every cycle has seen more than 85% of funds going towards projects that will benefit disadvantaged communities throughout the state.

Under the Joint Grant Management Agreement, the Parties would contribute \$80,000 total (\$20,000 each) to hire a consultant to apply for and then assist with managing a grant for the Santa Ynez Valley Regional Connector Transportation Project. The Project is considered a priority project in conjunction with application partner agencies of the County of Santa Barbara, City of Buellton, and City of Solvang. The Project is tentatively intended to be aligned along the Santa Ynez River between River View Park in Buellton and Alisal Road in Solvang and then along State Route (SR) 246 (Mission Drive) through Solvang and unincorporated Santa Ynez to its easterly terminus at SR 154. The extension of the bike path that exists between Alamo Pintado Road and the driveway to Santa Ynez High School easterly to SR 154 has particular significance and need to serve high school students, including Chumash Tribal members, lacking a safe active transportation connection to the high school. Since a final alignment needs to be determined, the objective of applying to ATP Cycle 7 will be to fund only preconstruction activities.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<b><u>Funding Sources</u></b>	<b><u>Current FY Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u></b>
General Fund	\$ 20,000.00		
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ -

**Special Instructions:**

The City of Buellton and City of Solvang will sign in April 2024 and the Third District office will provide a final signed copy to County Clerk of the Board once fully executed.

**Attachments:**

Attachment A – Joint Grant Management Agreement

**Authored by:** Gina Fischer