



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Community Services
Department No.: 057
For Agenda Of: October 13, 2015
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department George Chapjian, Director, Community Services Department
Director(s) 805-568-2467
Contact Info: Ginny Brush, Executive Director, Arts Commission
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SUBJECT: Execution of Grant Agreement Between the County of Santa Barbara and the City of Santa Barbara for FY 2015-16 Arts Commission Programs and Projects

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A) Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute an agreement with the City of Santa Barbara for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, for implementation of the Community Arts grant program, Community Events and Festival funding, Organizational Development grants, and staffing costs in the amount of \$461,000.00 (Attachment 1); and,
- B) Determine that the approval and execution of the Agreement is 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 action is a creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (Attachment 2).

Summary Text:

The County of Santa Barbara enters into an agreement each year with the City of Santa Barbara for the provision of various arts programs, which are administered by the County Arts Commission. This successful collaboration, which has existed for the past 31 years, enable the City and the County to work together to deliver high quality art and cultural services to the community.

By executing the agreement, the County will accept funding from the City in the amount of \$461,000.00 to implement the Community Arts grants program, Community Events & Festivals grant funding, Organizational Development Grants, and Arts Commission staffing costs for FY 2015-16.

Background:

This is the 31st consecutive year of the County’s contractual arrangement with the City of Santa Barbara to receive funding for cooperative programs administered by the County Arts Commission. This annual agreement enables the City and the County working together as partners to deliver high quality art and cultural services to the community.

The City’s contribution continues to leverage State and private funding that provides additional services to residents and visitors. Funding is provided for areas of service and programs outlined in the contract.

Service elements include providing administrative resources and staff support for City arts committees, and the provision of technical assistance and training to artists, cultural organizations, and City departments. Program elements include regranting of funds through the Community Art Program, the Events and Festivals Community Promotion Program, the Organizational Development Program, and the Cultural District Program.

The total amount of the grant agreement is \$461,000 and covers the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

Based on a preliminary review of the project the proposed action is determined to be exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA. Section 15268 (a) MINISTERIAL PROJECTS (a) Exempts Ministerial projects from the requirements of CEQA review.

Performance Measure:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. 5. Maintain and Enhance the Quality of Life for All Residents.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

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: City of Santa Barbara Grant			
Revenue	461,000.00		
Total	\$ 461,000.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

There is no impact on the County’s General Fund Contribution to the Arts Commission as a result of execution of this grant agreement. Revenue received as a result of this agreement, in the amount of \$461,000, will initially be deposited in the County Arts Trust Fund (#1001) and transferred to the Arts Commission’s General Fund budget to cover actual program expenses. The revenue and expenditures associated with this agreement have been included in the Arts Commission’s adopted FY 2015-16 budget.

Staffing Impacts:

None

Special Instructions:

Clerk of the Board to send one original copy of the grant agreement to the City Clerk/City of Santa Barbara, and one duplicate original copy of the grant agreement to the County Arts Commission, Attention: Ginny Brush

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Grant Agreement between the County of Santa Barbara and the City of Santa Barbara

Attachment 2 – CEQA Notice of Exemption

Authored by:

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