



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Health
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: May 19, 2020
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Van Do-Reynoso, MPH, PHD
Director(s) Public Health Director
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SUBJECT: Resolution Authorizing Public Health Director to Enter into a Grant Agreement for Ocean Water Quality Monitoring & Public Notification Services

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors consider the following recommendations:

- a) Adopt and authorize the Chair to execute the attached Resolution ratifying and authorizing the Public Health Director to enter into a Grant Agreement (Number D1914113) with the State Water Resources Control Board for a three-year period in the amount of \$372,675, not to exceed \$124,225 annually, to provide public beach water quality monitoring and public notification services for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022.
- b) Authorize the Public Health Director to execute amendments for said Grant Agreement, if funds are available and until otherwise ordered by the Board, as long as the award is within 10% of the previous annual amount and there is no significant change in the scope of work required under the agreement. New agreements will require Board approval.
- c) Authorize the Public Health Director to certify that the County of Santa Barbara has and will comply with all applicable federal and state statutory and regulatory requirements related to the financial assistance funds received by the State Water Board for the Public Beach Water Safety Program.
- d) Determine that these activities are exempt from California Environmental Quality Act review per CEQA Guideline Section 15061(b)(3), since it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activities may have a significant effect on the environment; and CEQA

Guideline Sections 15307, and 15308, because these actions are for the protection of natural resources and the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to adopt a resolution authorizing the Public Health Director to enter into an agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) and to authorize the Public Health Director to execute amendments if additional funding becomes available. The State Water Resources Control Board requires a resolution from the Board of Supervisors authorizing the Public Health Director to sign the grant agreement. Adoption of the resolution will grant the Public Health Director the authority to enter into the agreement for this fiscal year as well as amendments, provided the grant amount remains within 10% and there is no significant change in the scope of work required under the Agreement.

Background:

The California Health and Safety Code requires public beaches be sampled at least once a week during the period of April 1 – October 31. As a mandated local program, the California Constitution requires that the State reimburse local jurisdictions for the cost of performing this water quality monitoring. The Agreement (Number D1914113) is the mechanism by which the State Water Board will reimburse the County for the cost of performing these services.

Risk Assessment:

N/A

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

The Public Health Department has had the Public Beach Safety Grant (ocean water testing) for many years. All previous contracts have been annual. Starting this year, the State Water Resources Control Board would like the contract to be for a three-year period. Adopting, ratifying, and authorizing the Chair to execute the attached contract and resolution will allow the Public Health Director to enter into a Grant Agreement in the amount of \$372,675 for three years, from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022, with an annual amount not to exceed \$124,225.

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) original of the Adopted Resolution and one Certified Minute Order to Public Health. Email PHDCu@sbcphd.org when materials are ready for pick-up.

Attachments:

1. Resolution for Public Beach Safety Grant Agreement # D1914113
2. State of California Funding Agreement #D1914113

Authored by:

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