



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Department Name: Fire
Department No.: 031
For Agenda Of: October 27, 2009
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: n/a
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Michael W. Dyer, Fire Chief
Director 805 681-5507
Contact Info: Captain David Sadecki, Public Information Officer
805 681-5531
SUBJECT: Donation of \$35,000 Worth of Equipment for the Fire Department Search Dog Program

County Counsel Concurrence n/a

As to form: yes

Other Concurrence: n/a

As to form: No

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: yes

Recommended Actions: That the Board of Supervisors:

Authorize the Fire Department to accept donations of approximately \$35,000 worth of equipment from the Santa Barbara Firefighters Alliance (SBFA) which consists of one pick-up truck to be used for the transport of the Search and Rescue canine unit and its necessary equipment.

Summary Text:

The SBFA has presented to the fire department a 2009 White Toyota Tacoma Pre-Runner 4x2, 5 speed automatic to be used for the transport of the department's canine search and rescue animal and its specialized equipment. Because the canine unit is highly specialized and unique, a vehicle dedicated to this portion of the department's Search and Rescue cadre makes for a smoother and more efficient transport as needed to emergency incidents. This vehicle will enable the regional response commitment as the handler and the dog are going to be attached to a Regional Urban Search and Rescue Task Force and may have the opportunity to be deployed internationally once FEMA certified. It is anticipated that this vehicle will last 10 years.

Background:

The SBFA is a California Non-Profit Benefit Corporation organized for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501 c (3) of the internal Revenue Code. This recommendation adheres to the County donation policy. **Fiscal Analysis:**

The donated pick-up has a value of \$33,208.00. Additional equipment will be provided at a value of approximately \$2,000.00. Fuel to attend training and to respond to incidents will be paid for by the Fire Department and is estimated to be approximately \$1,000 per year. Fuel for transportation between the dog handler’s home and work location will be borne by the dog handler. In addition, the Fire Department will continue to fund a portion of veterinary services up to \$1,000 per year.

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
Total	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -

Special Instructions:

Please send a certified copy of the minute order to the following:

Rose Pueschel, Fire Department
 Purchasing Agent
 Auditor-Controller

Attachments:

Authored by:
 Captain David Sadecki