



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: 06/18/2024
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

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 \$7,000 for a Joint Grant Management Agreement between the Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians and the County of Santa Barbara, for a joint submission for the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program for the Santa Ynez Valley Regional Connector Transportation Project**

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, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute a Joint Grant Management Agreement (Agreement) between the County of Santa Barbara and the Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians (the Tribe), to support a grant application and potential award for the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program through the end date of the grant if awarded with a total amount not to exceed \$17,000 (\$10,000 from the Tribe and \$7,000 from the Third District 990 Fund Balance); and
- b) Approve and authorize the contribution of, and not-to-exceed an amount of \$7,000, from the FY 2023-24 Third District General County Programs Department 990 discretionary funding for the Agreement; and
- 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 \$7,000 for the Third District to use its portion of discretionary funding for a Joint Grant Management Agreement to be managed by the Tribe for coordinated submission to the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program for the Santa Ynez Valley Regional Connector Transportation Project.

Background:

The proposed project will transform how residents and visitors travel through the Santa Ynez Valley by creating approximately 10 miles of contiguous multi-use path between Chumash Tribal Land in Santa Ynez, the cities of Buellton, and Solvang, and unincorporated areas. The proposed path will fill gaps in the Valley's active transportation network, adapt the region to expanding bike-tourism, and provide the Tribe with safe access to local schools, grocery stores, medical facilities, employment opportunities, and other vital destinations. The concept for this project is mentioned in several plans, including the Santa Barbara County Active Transportation Plan (ATP), Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) ATP, and SYV Bicycle Master Plan, and supports objectives of the Caltrans District 5 ATP. The Tribe, City of Buellton, City of Solvang, and County of Santa Barbara are thrilled to be partnering to execute this long-awaited sustainable and active transportation project and have partnered in submitting two other transportation grants in support of this project: The Sustainable Communities Transportation Grant program submitted in January 2024 and the ATP program in June 2024.

This grant is due on June 17, 2024 so it has already been submitted at the time of the Board meeting. However, if the Board does not approve the funding, we will withdraw the grant application.

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>
General Fund	\$ 7,000.00		
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 7,000.00	\$ -	\$ -

Special Instructions: N/A

Attachments:

Attachment A – Joint Grant Management Agreement

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