



**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: August 20, 2013
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Herman D. Parker, Director, Community Services (805) 568-2467
Director:
Contact Info: Herman D. Parker, Director, Community Services (805) 568-2467
SUBJECT: 2013-2014 Agreement for Operations of a Countywide Library System

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Planning & Development

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute a one-year Agreement for Operation of a Countywide Library System (the "Agreement") by and between the County and the Cities of Lompoc, Santa Barbara and Santa Maria for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 for a total cost of \$2,948,397 for Fiscal year 2013-2014 (Attachment 1); and
- 2) Determine that the approval 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 project is a creation of a governmental funding mechanism or other government fiscal activity, which does 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 (NOE) (Attachment 2).

Summary Text:

On June 14, 2013, the Board of Supervisors adopted the Fiscal Year (FY) 2013-2014 Operating Budget, which included the allocation of \$2,948,397 in funding to the three Cities of Santa Barbara (Zone 1), Lompoc (Zone 2) and Santa Maria (Zone 3) to provide library services to County residents. The approval of the Agreement will authorize the County to contract with these Cities for library services and provide funding for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Background:

Library services in the County are provided via the Cities' main libraries and various branch locations as a way to efficiently use existing facilities and prevent the creation of County-operated duplicate establishments. The library service Cities are grouped into three zones as follows:

- Zone 1: Santa Barbara. Services provided to the cities and unincorporated areas located within or in close proximity to Santa Barbara, Carpinteria, Montecito, Isla Vista, Goleta, Solvang, Santa Ynez and Los Olivos.
- Zone 2: Lompoc. Services provided to the cities and unincorporated areas located within or in close proximity to Buellton, Lompoc, Vandenberg Village and Vandenberg Air Force Base.
- Zone 3: Santa Maria. Services provided to the cities and unincorporated areas located within or in close proximity to Cuyama, Guadalupe, Orcutt and Santa Maria.

The County's contribution to library services for each zone is based on the population of the cities and unincorporated areas within the respective zone as certified January 1st of the prior fiscal year (FY 2012-2013) by the California State Library Public Library Fund (PLF) as detailed in the Library Service Funding Table below.

<u>LIBRARY SERVICE FUNDING TABLE</u>		
POPULATION BASE PER PLF CERTIFICATION		
<i>FY 12-13 Estimates for use for FY 13/14 - \$6.9006 Per Capita</i>		
Zones	FY 12-13 Population Estimates	FY 13-14 Library Funds
Zone 1 - Santa Barbara	218,613	\$1,508,560
Zone 2 - Lompoc	65,275	\$450,436
Zone 3 - Santa Maria	<u>143,379</u>	<u>\$ 989,401</u>
TOTAL:	427,267	\$2,948,397

In addition to the County contribution, Zone 1 receives additional funding of approximately \$172,000 for the Goleta Library from County Service Area (CSA) 3, which your Board will consider on August 20, 2013. CSA-3 is a voter-approved measure which helps fund extended library facilities and services in the Goleta area.

In the course of FY 2013-2014, County staff anticipates working in conjunction with library Directors, the Library Advisory Committee, and other interested stakeholders to initiate the following strategic actions:

- Review the library service delivery structure to determine if the zone model continues to be the most effective service model.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

The Board approved the allocation of \$2,948,397 on June 14, 2013 for the three library service zones as part of the adopted FY 2013-2014 Operating Budget; these funds cover free library services for one year. If the Board approves the Agreement, \$2,948,397 in library service funds will be disbursed as shown in the Library Service Funding Table, with \$1,508,560 provided to the City of Santa Barbara, \$450,436 provided to the City of Lompoc and \$989,401 provided to the City of Santa Maria.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – 2013-2014 Agreement for Operation of a Countywide Library System

Attachment 2 – CEQA Notice of Exemption

Attachment 3 – Map of library zones