



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Department Name: General Services  
Department No.: 063  
For Agenda Of: 5/22/07  
Placement: Administrative  
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If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Director(s) Bob Nisbet (560-1011)  
Contact Info: Paddy Langlands, Assistant Director (568-3096)  
**SUBJECT:** New Cuyama Community Center, Project #8656, 5<sup>th</sup> Supervisorial District

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve and execute the attached Professional Services Agreement (PSA) to provide site planning and schematic design for the New Cuyama Community Center with The Austin Company of Irwin, CA, (not a local vendor) at a cost of \$160,000.

**Summary Text:**

The small community of New Cuyama located about an hour from the closest full-service city, (Santa Maria) is in great need of recreational and other facilities similar to other communities in Santa Barbara County. The proposed project will provide a gymnasium, multipurpose recreation facility, swimming pool, and sport fields, and replace the inadequate library and health clinic.

This is multi-phased project. The first phase of this project will be developed based upon the findings of the site plan and schematic design developed by the Architect. With this information, staff will return to the Board of Supervisors with a recommendation regarding project description, cost, and schedule. The schematic design is a relatively minor effort in the design process but provides the first credible estimate of cost and scheduled to be complete July 2007.

**Background:**

New Cuyama is a community of about 800 located at the extreme most northern/eastern edge of the County. The community's recreation hall is about 50 years old, undersized and in need of repair and modernization. The existing library consists of a 12 x 40 foot trailer that is at least 20 years old and

inadequate. The health clinic is an old 1,400 square foot home conversion that needs repair and modernization. The only aquatic facility was the high school's 50-year old pool until it was condemned by the County due to safety concerns after the Paso Robles earthquake in December of 2003, and is beyond repair.

The proposed project involves acquisition of a 13 acre site just south of Highway 166 and east of Hubbard Avenue in the community of New Cuyama, (APN 149-040-002). The proposed project identified for the site would include a new competition-size swimming pool for use by the schools and general community, athletic fields, recreation park, a new gymnasium and multipurpose recreation facility, a library, and a health clinic. A master plan will be developed with the community to identify specific needs. In addition, the County Executive Office is currently seeking grants to help fund the project. Several communities throughout the State have been successful in obtaining significant grant monies in offsetting costs of these most important projects in rural areas.

A Request for Qualifications to provide professional design services for this project was solicited to 5 firms, with three firms responding. The Architect-Engineer (AE) Selection Committee (consisting of two representatives from New Cuyama, one from County Parks and three from General Services) interviewed the three firms that responded and determined that The Austin Company from Irvin California was most qualified for this project. As this project moves forward to subsequent phases, it is anticipated that we will utilize the services of the Austin Company.

**Performance Measure:**

The new recreation hall, library and clinic will enhance safety for the public and provide American Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant facilities currently lacking. The new recreational facilities will provide civic services to a community that has none, and has no reasonable access to other such facilities.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Fiscal Analysis:**

Narrative:

\$2 million designation for this project was funded this fiscal year, (06/07). \$250,000 has been transferred from the Capital Designation to the Capital Outlay Fund. Therefore, sufficient funds for this proposal are available in Fund 0030, Department 063, Program 1930, Line Item 8200, Project 8656. The project is shown on Page B-229 of the current Capital Improvement Program, showing a project cost of this multi-phased project of \$14.7 million, which will be completed over a period of time.

**Special Instructions:**

Please send two (2) duplicate original Contracts and a copy of the Minute Order to Grady Williams, GS/Support Services Div., Courthouse East Wing.

**Attachments:**

Professional Service Agreement