



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: July 17, 2018
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Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
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SUBJECT: Santa Barbara Courthouse Capital and Maintenance Summary; District 1

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence:

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

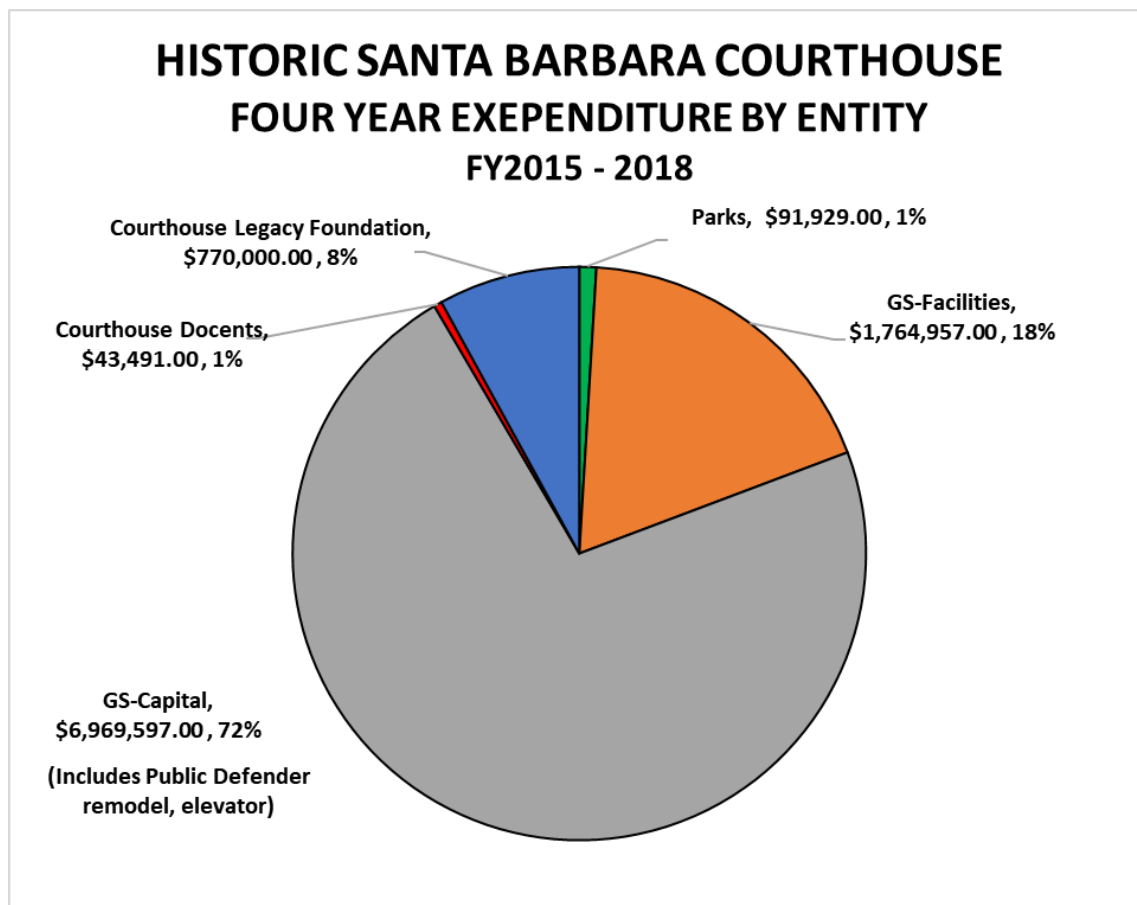
That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Receive and File this update of capital and maintenance improvements, which outlines previous and potential conservation, restoration, and preservation projects at the Historic Santa Barbara Courthouse; and
- b) Find that the proposed acceptance of this document is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5) as it is an organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

The purpose of this Board Letter is to provide the Board of Supervisors with an overview of previous and potential capital and maintenance projects for the Santa Barbara Courthouse. The General Services Department is responsible for the oversight of maintenance and capital projects for the Santa Barbara Historic Courthouse. A number of entities are involved in ensuring this historic landmark is maintained and preserved. These include, the General Services Department Maintenance and Capital projects divisions, County Parks Maintenance division, the Courthouse Legacy Foundation (CLF), the Santa Barbara County Docent Council, and the Horology Foundation.

Ongoing maintenance occurs almost daily at the Courthouse. This includes work performed or managed by Santa Barbara County Parks, such as irrigation system maintenance and repairs, tree care, and regular landscape maintenance. Other work, performed by General Services, includes responding to tenant calls for maintenance and general routine maintenance tasks. Maintenance and care of the Seth Thomas Tower clock is handled by the Horology Foundation. Past capital and maintenance projects have included the Public Defender remodel, the main tower elevator replacement, the fountain restoration project, the addition of the Clock Tower Gallery, interior drape replacement, building lamp conservation, wrought iron work, and the Mural Room restoration and conservation.



Needed future work for the Courthouse includes the following;

- Replacement and restoration of the roof
- Irrigation system upgrades
- Major tree replacement
- Rehabilitation of the lawn
- Major tree and vine trimming,

- Installation of a HVAC system to replace the temporary system that is currently in place
- Replacement and upgrade of the electrical system
- Various plumbing replacements and upgrades
- Replacement of west facing woodwork, windows, etc.
- Restoration of the main arch and cast stone elements of the building
- Restoration and rehabilitation of the Figueroa Tower, including Epi's and Finials
- Replacement or restoration of wrought-iron rails, grilles and gates
- Restoration of the turret at the Jail Wing
- Replacement or restoration of all the building awnings and curtains
- Continued work on lighting fixtures and lamps

Background:

The Santa Barbara Courthouse was designated a City Historic Landmark in 1981, a State Historic Landmark in 2003 and a National Historic Landmark in 2005. Of the myriad needs at the facility, conservation, preservation and restoration of its historic fabric and elements is paramount and requires the use of highly skilled craftsmen and conservation professionals. Restoration and conservation efforts are guided by a recently completed Historic Structures Report (HSR) that includes a condition assessment of all the contributing historic elements in, on, and around the courthouse complex. The CLF is actively fundraising to complete the listed projects that have been prioritized by condition and need. This includes windows and various stone elements including the great arch. Maintenance of Courthouse systems and the roof are the responsibility of General Services. The roof replacement is being considered as a possible project to be funded with a debt issuance. The HVAC system is not being considered at this time but will remain on a high priority list of needed improvements. In the past, the Docent Council has restored and replaced various wrought iron elements and hopes to raise money to replace awnings and curtains. The Horology Foundation ensures the Tower Clock and Gallery are properly maintained.

CEQA:

The Santa Barbara Courthouse Capital and Maintenance Summary is not a project per CEQA Section 15378.

Any proposed work under the Santa Barbara Courthouse Capital and Maintenance Summary would be executed in strict conformance with the U.S. Department of the Interior Standards for the care of Historic Property and require a Section 106 review by the California State Historic Preservation Officer as each project is undertaken to minimize or eliminate potential impacts to historic resources.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: N/A

Fiscal Analysis:

No funding is being expended or requested as a result of this summary report at this time, and any future projects will be brought back to the Board of Supervisors for approval as needed.

Attachments:

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None

Special Instructions:

Please send a copy of the Minute Order to the County Architect
Attention: Robert Ooley, FAIA (SB Courthouse-East Wing, 2nd Floor)

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