



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Planning &
Development
Department No.: 053
For Agenda Of: July 12, 2011
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: Yes
If Yes, date from: 3/3/09
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Glenn Russell, Planning & Development 568-2085
Director(s)
Contact Info: Doug Anthony, Deputy Director, Energy Division, 568-2046

SUBJECT: Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) – Grant Contract with Santa Maria Valley Discovery Museum

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors authorize the Chair to execute the attached CREF contract (BC-11-092) with the Santa Maria Valley Discovery Museum, for the period of July 12, 2011 to December 31, 2011, in the amount of \$55,099, to install Phase 2 of the Belly of the Whale exhibit at its Museum, located at 705 South McClelland Street in Santa Maria, in the Fifth Supervisorial District.

Summary Text: The Santa Maria Valley Discovery Museum would use the \$55,099 CREF grant to complete its Belly of the Whale exhibit. Specifically, the money would go towards development of a 60-minute interactive video on various whale topics (e.g., types, habitat, migration, etc.), fabrication of six hands-on learning stations, with each station focusing on a certain subject regarding whales, and a 20-page activity guide on whales. Lastly, the Museum would operate the exhibit for a period of not less than five years.

Background:

In the 2008 CREF funding cycle, the Board of Supervisors allocated \$75,000 to the Santa Maria Valley Discovery Museum towards Phase 1 of the Belly of the Whale exhibit. The applicant successfully completed that first phase of the exhibit in December of 2008. On March 3, 2009, the Board allocated another \$75,000 grant to the Museum to implement Phase 2 of the exhibit. The applicant recently only requested \$55,099 from that award towards Phase 2; this contract executes the \$55,099 grant. The unused \$19,901 reverts back to the unallocated CREF amount for general allocation projects.

Mitigation of impacts to coastal resources from offshore oil and gas development is required as a condition of permits on three projects. Mitigation is provided through the Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund.

There are no changes in service level as a result of this contract.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

No fiscal and facilities impacts. The Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund is funded by annual mitigation fees paid by developers of offshore oil and gas reserves. Fees to fund a grant were received in FY 08-09 and are included in the County's FY 11/12 Budget on page D-324 "Source of Funds Summary – Use of Prior Fund Balances." Staff costs to prepare this contract have been offset by interest accrued to the Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund. The \$55,099 for Phase 2 of the Belly of the Whale exhibit are expended from Fund #0063, Dept. #053, Program #5090, Account #7863, Project #0903.

Special Instructions:

Clerk of the Board will forward a copy of the contract to Kathy McNeal Pfeifer of the Planning and Development Department, Energy Division, who will mail a copy of the contract to the grantee and request the Auditor Controller to pay the award.

Attachments:

Contract BC-11-092 with the Santa Maria Valley Discovery Museum
Contract Data Sheet (page 12 of Contract BC-11-092)

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