



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 10, 2007
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: Yes
If Yes, date from: 5/15/07
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department John Baker, 568-2085
Director(s)
Contact Info: Doug Anthony, 568-2046

SUBJECT: Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) – Recommended 2007 Award and
Grant Contract for Doty Property Acquisition

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve a \$300,000 grant award from the Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) for the fiscal year of 2007-2008.
- B. Approve execution of the attached CREF contract (BC-08-008) with the City of Goleta, in the amount of \$300,000, to purchase a one-acre property, known as the Doty property on the Ellwood Mesa, for the period of July 10, 2007 to April 15, 2008. The Doty property is located in the Third Supervisorial District.

Summary Text:

In the 2007 CREF cycle, the City of Goleta sought a \$350,000 Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) grant to purchase a one-acre property, known as the Doty property on the Ellwood Mesa. The City had a \$475,000 purchase agreement with the property owner; however, the appraisal for the property was \$400,000. Supervisor Firestone requested clarification from the City of Goleta regarding the appraised value of the Doty property prior to consideration of a CREF award. Subsequently, the City renegotiated the purchase price with the seller; the reduced price now equates to the appraised value, \$400,000. The City reduced its CREF grant request to \$300,000. The City will pay for the remaining \$100,000 and additional legal and administrative costs to purchase the property.

Background:

The County established CREF as a condition of permits for offshore oil and gas development and transportation projects; mitigation is provided through CREF for impacts to coastal resources.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

No fiscal and facilities impacts. The Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund is funded by mitigation fees paid by developers of offshore oil and gas reserves. Fees to fund this grant were received in FY 06-07 and are included in the Energy Division Cost Center on page D-304 of the County's Budget F06/07 "Source of Funds Summary – Use of Prior Fund Balances." Expenditures are budgeted under "Use of Funds Summary – Mitigation Programs," within the Energy Division's FY 06-07 budget. Staff costs to prepare this contract have been offset by interest accrued to the Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund. The \$300,000 to acquire the Doty property is expended from Fund #0063, Department #053, Program #5090, Account #7863, and Project #0707.

Special Instructions:

Clerk of the Board will forward original contract to Kathy McNeal Pfeifer of the Planning and Development Department, Energy Division, who will mail the contract to City of Goleta to receive proper signatures. Once Ms. Pfeifer receives the signed contract from the City of Goleta, Ms. Pfeifer will forward the original contract to Clerk of the Board, mail a copy of the signed contract to the grantee and request the Auditor Controller to pay the award.

Attachments:

Contract BC-08-008 with the City of Goleta

Authored by:

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