

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240 Agenda Number:

Department Name: Community Services

Department No.: 057

For Agenda Of: August 14, 2012
Placement: Administrative

**Estimated Tme:** 

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If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

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Director:

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**SUBJECT:** 2012-2013 Agreement for Operations of a Countywide Library System

<u>County Counsel Concurrence</u> <u>Auditor-Controller Concurrence</u>

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management Other Concurrence: Planning & Development

As to form: Yes 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, 2012 through June 30, 2013 for a total cost of \$2,550,403 for Fiscal year 2012-2013 (Attachment 1);
- 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
- 3) Direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) (Attachment 2).

### **Summary Text:**

On June 15, 2012, the Board of Supervisors adopted the Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-2013 Operating Budget, which included the allocation of \$2,550,403 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, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

### **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 1<sup>st</sup> of the prior fiscal year (FY 2011-2012) by the California State Library Public Library Fund (PLF) as detailed in the Library Service Funding Table below.

LIBRARY SERVICE FUNDING TABLE		
POPULATION BASE PER PLF CERTIFICATION FY 11-12 Estimates for use for FY 12/13 - \$5.98 Per Capita		
Zones	FY 11-12 Population Estimates	FY 12-13 Library Funds
Zone 1 - Santa Barbara	218,503	\$1,307,567
Zone 2 - Lompoc	64,612	\$ 386,652
Zone 3 - Santa Maria	<u>143,074</u>	<u>\$ 856,184</u>
TOTAL	.: 426,189	\$2,550,403

In addition to the County contribution, Zone 1 receives additional funding of \$173,894 for the Goleta Library from County Service Area (CSA) 3, which was approved by the Board on July 10, 2012. CSA-3 is a voter-approved measure which helps fund extended library facilities and services in the Goleta area.

In the course of FY 2012-2013, County staff anticipates working in conjunction with library Directors, the Library Advisory Committee, and other interested stakeholders to initiate the following strategic actions:

- Review of the library service delivery structure to determine if the zone model continues to be the most effective service model.
- Analysis of the per capita funding distribution to ensure funding is consistent with usage and circulation.

### Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

### **Fiscal Analysis:**

The Board approved the allocation of \$2,550,403 on June 15, 2012 for the three library service zones as part of the adopted FY 2012-2013 Operating Budget; these funds cover free library services for one year. If the Board approves the Agreement, \$2,550,403 in library service funds will be disbursed as

shown in the Library Service Funding Table, with \$1,307,567 provided to the City of Santa Barbara, \$386,652 provided to the City of Lompoc and \$856,184 provided to the City of Santa Maria.

## Attachments:

Attachment 1 – 2012-2013 Agreement for Operation of a Countywide Library System

Attachment 2 – Notice of Exemption

Attachment 3 – Map of library zones