



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER**

**Agenda Number:**

**Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**  
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**Submitted on:**  
**(COB Stamp)**

**Department Name:** Community Services  
Department  
**Department No.:** 057  
**Agenda Date:** July 7, 2026  
**Placement:** Administrative Agenda  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:** N/A  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Director(s): Jesús Armas, Director, Community Services Department  
Contact: Garrett Wong, Division Manager, Sustainability  
**SUBJECT: SBCAG Baseline Amendment for Electric Vehicle Charging Station Funding**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute an amendment to the Baseline Agreement with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG), to receive \$467,000 for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations at County facilities; and
- b) Determine that the recommended actions do not constitute a project subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 Class 1 which consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing use.

**Summary Text:**

The original Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Baseline Agreement with SBCAG directed \$635,000 to the County to install eight electric vehicle charging stations (EVCS) at three locations. This item is before the Board of Supervisors (Board) to approve an amendment to the Baseline Agreement with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG). The Agreement reduces the scope by eliminating one charging station and one location and reduces the remaining budget to \$467,000 seven new EVCS at two locations, Santa Clause Lane and Rincon Park. EVCS installation supports the County’s climate goals and will be jointly implemented by Public Works, General Services, and Community Services Departments.

**Discussion:**

The original scope included installing eight EVCS at three locations: Rincon Park, Lookout Park and Santa Claus Lane. Of these three sites, Lookout Park proved to be infeasible due to extensive utility investment required to energize the site. Staff attempted to relocate the project three times before deeming the project infeasible. Due to project's cancellation, the County is no longer eligible to receive the allocation of \$168,000.

Santa Clause Lane will receive four charging stations. Staff are completing the utility permits and will soon begin construction this summer. Community Services staff are coordinating construction with Public Works, General Services and local contractors to install the EVCS on the enhanced public right-of-way.

Rincon Park will receive three charging stations. The project is still in the design phase. The design will be completed by the end of Q2 2026. This project still needs to obtain utility permits with South California Edison (SCE).

The total funding for the remaining two projects is \$467,000. All projects must be completed by January 2029.

**Background:**

In June 2023, California Transportation Commission (CTC) awarded Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) funding of \$132 million to SBCAG and Caltrans for five transportation infrastructure projects, including an initial \$325,000 towards installation of EVCS projects at three existing County facilities: Rincon Park, Lookout Park and along Santa Claus Lane. All three locations are located on County owned land.

In October 2023, the Board authorized the execution of a Project Baseline Agreement with SBCAG, as required by the CTC, enabling the County to receive funding for its projects receiving SB 1 funding including the \$325,000 from the SSCP.

In September 2024, the SBCAG Board approved the additional allocation of \$250,000 to the three County EVCS projects to help meet the original scope of each project due to rising construction costs. The three EVCS projects were allocated a total of \$635,000.

In October 2025, staff determined the project to install one Level 3 EVCS at Lookout Park (and alternate sites) was infeasible. As a result, the CTC removed \$168,000 from the construction budget of the Lookout Park project (one Level 3 EVCS).

**Performance Measure:**

Contribute to meeting Climate Action Plan objective of reducing community greenhouse gas emissions in unincorporated County by 50% below 2018 levels by 2030.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

The grant funding would cover costs associated with design for construction and installation of seven charging stations at two locations: Rincon Park, and Santa Clause Lane. Once installed, General Services will operate the charging stations and charge utilization fees to cover operations, maintenance, repair and replacement costs.

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>FY [25/26]</b>	<b>Total</b>
General Fund		
State (SCCP)	\$407,000	<b>\$407,000</b>
Federal		
Fees		
RSTP	\$60,000	<b>\$60,000</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$467,000</b>	<b>\$467,000</b>

The MOU and Baseline Agreement authorizes SBCAG to disburse \$467,000 to the County for pre-construction design and construction activities.

**Special Instructions:**

Upon approval, please email Minute Order to Garret Wong [gwong@countyofsb.org](mailto:gwong@countyofsb.org) and Teralyn Evans-Gutiérrez [tegutierrez@countyofsb.org](mailto:tegutierrez@countyofsb.org).

**Attachments:**

**Attachment A** – SBCAG Memorandum of Understanding

**Attachment B** – Baseline Agreement Amendment

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