



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: 11/10/20
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Janette Pell, Director, General Services (805) 560-1011
Director(s)
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SUBJECT: Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation Annual Report for 2019;
First Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Receive and file the 2019 Annual Report for operations at the Santa Barbara Bowl, and
- b) Find that the proposed action is an organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment and is therefore not a project under CEQA Guidelines 14 CCR 15378(b)(5).

Summary Text:

The current Management and Lease Agreement (Agreement) between the County and the Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation (SBBF) was approved by the Board of Supervisors on May 17, 2011. Section 22 (C) of the Agreement requires the Foundation to submit an annual report by October 15 of each year for the previous year. Attached is a copy of the Annual Report for 2019.

As one component of the Bowl Foundations' commitment to supporting the local arts community, beginning in 2010, the Foundation contributes an annual payment to the Santa Barbara County Office of Arts and Culture (SBCOA&C). The Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation Arts Subsidy is intended to promote the public's appreciation and access to cultural arts in the Santa Barbara community. Per the

existing lease agreement, the arts subsidy payment increased in 2015 to \$0.50 per ticket sale with a cap of \$50,000. For 2019, the Bowl Foundation made a payment to the SBCOA&C in December of 2019 in the amount of \$50,000 based on ticket sales of 148,791 during the 2019 season.

Since 2011 the total contribution to the Santa Barbara County Office of Arts and Culture through the Arts Subsidy Program is \$383,172.75.

Included as Attachment 2 is the Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation Financial Statements as of December 31, 2019 prepared by Armanino LLP, Los Angeles.

Background:

The Santa Barbara Bowl is a world-class 4,562 seat entertainment, culture and arts venue located at 1122 N. Milpas Street in Santa Barbara. Originally constructed in 1936 as a Works Progress Administration (WPA) project, the Santa Barbara Bowl is a County owned property, managed and operated under the direction of the Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation. On June 28, 1994, the County entered into a lease with the Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation for long-term management of the Bowl facility. The Foundation had already existed as a California non-profit public benefit organization since 1981. On May 17, 2011, the SBBF renewed its lease agreement with the County for a period of 45 years beginning June 1, 2011. The SBBF has an option to extend the lease for another 25 years should the Foundation successfully complete the Master Plan. Responsibility of all costs for maintenance, repairs, improvements, and operations relating to the property rests solely with the Foundation.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

N/A

Special Instructions:

N/A

Attachments:

1. Annual Report of the Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation – 2019
2. Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation Financial Statement, December 31, 2019

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