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SUPERVISOR, SECOND DISTRICT
SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

AGENDA ITEM

DATE: April 13, 2010

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT: ALLOCATION OF DISTRICT TWO NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT GRANT AND AMENDMENTS TO COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT GRANTS (DISTRICT: 2)

SUMMARY:

Overview

Today's action will provide funds to several organizations to improve East County communities. During times of financial uncertainty, it's important that unincorporated communities can turn to their government for assistance and to see their tax dollars at work on the ground. Fortunately, the County has been able to invest back into our region due to our strong fiscal discipline.

Recommendation(s)

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1. Find that the allocations to Lake Murray Little League, Alpine Women's Club, Ramona High School, Grossmont Union High School District and the Pine Valley Improvement Club are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301 because these allocations will be used in the repair and maintenance of existing facilities.
2. Allocate \$23,539 from the District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (org 15655) to Lake Murray Little League to install permanent roofs over public stands and dug outs, replace broken or missing boards in dugouts, rebuild a backstop, pour a concrete apron in front of the snack bar area as well as the children's dugouts and replace fencing at both fields.
3. Allocate \$20,000 from the District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (org 15655) to the Julian Cuyamaca Resource Center, Inc. to purchase a storage container, HAM radio equipment and training materials such as backpacks and manuals for countywide exercises.
4. Allocate \$6,535 from the District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (org 15655) to the Alpine Women's Club to install an ADA compliant restroom on the ground floor of their clubhouse.

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5. Allocate \$28,769 from the District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (org 15655) to the Ramona Emergency Assistance League to purchase communication equipment, medical equipment, light generators, and computer equipment.
6. Allocate \$80,000 from the District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (org 15655) to the Ramona Unified School District/Ramona High School Baseball and Softball Teams for new dugouts, snack bars, team rooms, a new scoreboard, a windscreen, new batting cages and bullpens, new bleachers, and to replace old fencing.
7. Allocate \$35,000 from the District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (org 15655) to the Grossmont Union High School District to assist with the replastering of the pool at Monte Vista High School.
8. Allocate \$20,000 from the from the District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (org 15655) to the Pine Valley Improvement Club to pave the parking lot at the Club located at 28890 Old Highway 80 in Pine Valley.
9. Allocate \$20,000 from the District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (org 15655) to the San Diego Audubon Society, Inc. to assist with the acquisition of a 29.4 acre parcel for inclusion in the Silverwood Wildlife Sanctuary.
10. Allocate \$10,000 from the District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (org 15655) to California Department of Transportation, District 11, to purchase approximately 850 trees to be planted along SR-94 from Bancroft Interchange to the Avocado Interchange.
11. Authorize the Chief Financial Officer to execute a grant agreement with the organizations above establishing the terms for receipt of the funds and to make minor amendments to the agreements that are consistent with the general purpose of the grant but do not increase the grant.
12. Amend the purpose of the February 26, 2008 (15) Neighborhood Reinvestment Program allocation of \$9,489.80 to the Lakeside American Little League Baseball, Inc. to include tree trimming, renovation of all the ball fields, and improvements to the irrigation system which includes purchasing and installing two motors. Authorize the Chief Financial Officer to amend the grant agreement accordingly.
13. Amend the purpose of the June 24, 2008 Community Enhancement grant allocation of \$8,700 to the Rancho San Diego Jamul Chamber of Commerce to include office lease expenses. Authorize the Chief Financial Officer to amend the grant agreement accordingly.

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14. Establish appropriations of \$30,000 based on the FY 08-09 Fund balance available as a result of the return of unused grant funds.
15. Amend the purpose of the June 23, 2009, Community Enhancement grant allocation of \$20,000 to the Alpine Women's Club to allow the entire \$20,000 allocation to be spent on the construction of the bathrooms. Authorize the Chief Financial Officer to amend the grant agreement accordingly.
16. Find that these grant awards have a public purpose.
17. Rescind the June 19, 2007 allocation of \$2,000 from Community Enhancement budget (Org 12900) to the Ramona Air Fair Inc., so the funds can be reallocated to other projects.
18. Rescind the June 22, 2005 allocation of \$5,000 from Community Enhancement budget (Org 12900) to the Alpine Community Center Inc., so the funds can be reallocated to other projects.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impacts of these recommendations are \$213,843. The funding source is FY 09/10 District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program. This action will result in the addition of no new staff years and no future costs.

Business Impact Statement

N/A

Advisory Board Statement

N/A

BACKGROUND:

Lake Murray Little League serves several hundred kids in the City of La Mesa area, but their current fields are unable to meet their needs and have become unsafe for the kids. In addition to the Little League, AYSO Soccer and La Mesa Senior Softball enjoy the facilities, as well as students and faculty of Murray Manor Elementary. Today's allocation will assist with several improvements to the field to provide an essential facelift before the season starts.

Since the devastating Cedar fire in 2003, unincorporated communities have realized the need to be prepared in the event of another catastrophic event. Limited resources are available to assist in this effort, and today's action will allow the Julian Cuyamaca Resource Center to acquire a communication system and training materials to educate residents on what to do if a similar disaster would occur. Training residents can make a difference in saving lives and protecting property in the initial days after a disaster.

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The Alpine Women's Club is a civic organization that owns and maintains the historic Town Hall in Alpine, which was built in 1899. The building is also used by other civic organizations and performances are often occurring on the stage in the historic facility. In order to become ADA compliant, the Club is making several improvements to the facility, including building an ADA compliant restroom on the ground floor. Today's allocation will assist with the renovation project.

The Ramona Emergency Assistance League (REAL) is a non-profit organization, which provides funding and administrative support to the Ramona Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), whose members are trained disaster service workers. REAL assists during disasters and can lessen the burden on government agencies, but relies heavily on the availability of emergency equipment. Today's allocation will assist with the purchase of radio equipment, lights with generators, a trailer, computer, printer and a projector.

Ramona High School boys' baseball and girls' softball have been working together to address past due improvements to their playing fields. The current fields were designed and created 20 years ago through volunteer efforts and are in desperate need of repairs. Community businesses have offered to provide in-kind donations of the labor costs, and today's allocation will provide a matching grant with the Ramona Unified School District to complete the renovation of the fields.

Throughout the year, Monte Vista High School's pool is used by the high school physical education classes, waterpolo and swim teams, as well as community groups such as Sweetwater Dolphins, Cougar Waterpolo, and San Diego Shores Waterpolo. The pool has sections of plaster that has cracked and chipped off, creating an unsafe swimming environment. Today's allocation will match dollars from both the School as well as the School District to complete the replastering project.

The Pine Valley Improvement Club's clubhouse is a popular meeting place in Pine Valley and is used for numerous events throughout the year. The planning group, elementary school, charter school, local library, the friends of the library, the church, Salvation Army, Mtn. Empire Men's Club, Mtn. Empire Creative Arts Council and the Pine Valley Fire Protection District all use this house for meetings and it is the only building in Pine Valley that can handle large gatherings. Today's allocation will assist with the paving of the parking lot to accommodate the many visitors to the clubhouse.

The San Diego Audubon Society is one of the leading conservation education and land trust organizations in San Diego County. In 1965 it established the Wildlife Sanctuary in Lakeside and at 723 acres in size, it has been a primary venue for education of San Diego residents. An opportunity to include a valuable piece of adjacent property has presented itself, and The Wildlife Conservation Board has approved funding for the majority of the acquisition costs. Today's allocation will assist with the final dollars needed to acquire the strategically located parcel.

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The section of SR-94 between Bancroft Drive and Avocado Blvd. has until recently had no planting or irrigation. Thousands of motorists pass this section on their daily commute. Since the neighborhoods adjacent to the highway have mature landscape plantings, SR-94 is out of character. Providing more trees on SR-94, will help to create continuity and similar character with the surrounding community and make it a more pleasant drive. Spring Valley and Casa De Oro residents are very supportive of this effort. Today's action will assist Caltrans in purchasing about 850 trees to plant along the SR-94, which will augment the approximate 600 trees already planted by Caltrans. Urban Corps will do the work for Caltrans.

Lakeside American Little League received a Neighborhood Reinvestment grant in 2008 for improvements to the field. Today's amendment of the grant will authorize the inclusion of tree trimming, renovation of the ball fields, and improvements to the irrigation system.

The Rancho San Diego Jamul Chamber of Commerce received a Community Enhancement grant in 2008 to assist with the start up costs of the Chamber. Today's amendment will allow the Chamber to spend a portion of the funds on the office lease expenses.

The San Diego Foundation received a Neighborhood Reinvestment grant in Fiscal Year 08-09 for the start up of a charitable foundation in Julian, including costs to provide a Regional Outreach Manager. The community had expressed an interest, but with the tough economy, it was decided that this was not the appropriate time to get this effort underway in Julian. Today's action will establish appropriations of \$30,000 in the District Two Neighborhood Reinvestment Program to be reallocated to other projects in East County. The unused grant funds were returned too late in the fiscal year to be reallocated at that time.

The Alpine Women's Club restoration project is proving to be more costly than first anticipated. The ADA construction in a historic building requires extensive work. Today's action will amend the purpose of the 2009 Community Enhancement grant to allow the entire grant to be spent on the construction cost of the bathrooms.

In 2007, Ramona Air Fair received a District Two Community Enhancement grant for their annual Air Fair. However, the organization canceled the event and the funds were never allocated. Today's action will rescind the grant.

In 2005, the Alpine Community Center received a Community Enhancement grant for several projects at the Center and Community Park. The organization didn't utilize the funds, and they were never allocated. Today's organization will rescind the grant to be reallocated to other projects.

Linkage to the County of San Diego Strategic Plan

N/A

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Respectfully submitted,

DIANNE JACOB
Supervisor, Second District

ATTACHMENT(S)

N/A

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES: Yes No

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:
N/A

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:
N/A

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:
N/A

ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):
N/A

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: District 2

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CONCURRENCE(S):

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes			
Written Disclosure per County Charter Section 1000.1 Required	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	
GROUP/AGENCY FINANCE DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
GROUP/AGENCY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
COUNTY TECHNOLOGY OFFICE	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
Group/Agency Human Resources Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	

Other Concurrence(s): N/A

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE:
