

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Economic Development Agency

SUBMITTAL DATE:
November 8, 2007

SUBJECT: Public Hearing for the Home Gardens Library and Community Center Expansion

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Conduct a public hearing for the Home Gardens Library and Community Center Expansion; and
2. Make the following findings:
 - a. The Home Gardens Library and Community Center Expansion Project is of benefit to the Home Gardens sub area of Redevelopment Project Area 1-1986 and will help to effectuate the purposes of the Redevelopment Plan for the Project Area;
 - b. No other reasonable means of financing the project is available to the community due to limited funds which are insufficient to provide the expanded facilities;
 - c. The proposed project will assist with the elimination of blighting conditions within the Project Area by providing needed library and community facilities; and
 - d. Public Library and community facilities are identified as needed projects in the Implementation Plan for the Project Area.

(BACKGROUND on Page 2)

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	10/07

COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA: Yes

SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

BY: *Jennifer L. Gargano*

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County Executive Office Signature

Dept't Recomm.: Consent Policy
Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 5/18/04, Item 4.5, 2/9/07, Item 4.4 **District:** 2 **Agenda Number:**

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BACKGROUND:

On February 9, 2007, the Board of Directors approved a consulting services agreement with STK Architecture Inc. for design services for Phase Two of the project to expand the Home Gardens Library and Community Center. The project is located on Magnolia Avenue in Home Gardens. The expansion will provide approximately 3,500 additional square feet of library space with a portion designated for use as a community center.

Section 33445 of the Health and Safety Code provides that a redevelopment agency may assist in the construction of buildings, facilities, structures, or other improvements that are of benefit to the Project Area. Attached is a summary report of the proposed project which will be owned by the County and constructed with redevelopment funds.

Staff has prepared an Initial Study to assess the potential environmental effects of the project. The initial study indicated all issues of environmental concern can be adequately mitigated to a level of insignificance. Notice of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration has been published in the *Press Enterprise* newspaper in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines.

Attachments:

Summary Report

Initial Study for Environmental Assessment No. RDA-CEQA-2007-002