

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



FROM: Supervisor Tavaglione and Supervisor Stone SUBMITTAL DATE: June 24, 2013

SUBJECT: C.I.A.U. (CELEBRATE INFRASTRUCTURE ADDITIONS UNIFORMLY) BOARD POLICY

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors consider a standardized funding formula for celebrations at infrastructure projects in the county (groundbreakings, ribbon cuttings and/or grand openings).

BACKGROUND: Historically, Riverside County has celebrated groundbreakings, ribbon cuttings and grand openings for major projects in the County. These celebratory events can be and have been, in some cases, very costly. Expenditures may have even exceeded, at times, what would be considered an appropriate use of taxpayer money. A county department head or staff member should not be pressured by an elected County Supervisor, or Supervisor's staff, to order a large and costly celebration that might be overly extravagant, or even political in nature, without adhering to a formalized Board Policy.

To insure that the cost of groundbreaking, ribbon cutting or grand opening celebrations is kept within reasonable and appropriate parameters, a formula to calculate the parameters or ranges of money that can be spent on contracted services for such festivities could be utilized and implemented countywide.

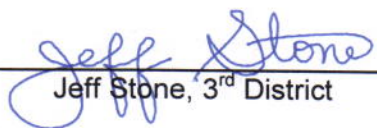
A suggested formula could be:

The larger of \$1000 or 0.3% of the cost of the project and shall never exceed \$7500 *unless* sponsorship funding is provided by a non-County government entity.

E.g., a one million dollar project will have a budget of \$3000 for the groundbreaking, ribbon cutting and/or grand opening.



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