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



(ID # 11082)

#### **MEETING DATE:**

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

FROM: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (EDA):

SUBJECT: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (EDA): Approve the Substantial Amendments to the 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan to include the Green Acres/Winchester Road Improvements, Desert Arc Parking Improvements, and Cabazon/Whitewater Road Improvements, Districts 3, 4, and 5. [\$735,000 - Community Development

Block Grant 100%]; CEQA Exempt

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Find that the substantial amendments to the 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3);
- Find that the substantial amendments to the 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan are exempt from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) pursuant to Title 24 Code of Federal Regulations Section 58.34(a)(1) and (a)(3);
- 3. Approve the substantial amendments to the 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan to add the new Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) activities of Green Acres/Winchester Road Improvements; Desert Arc Parking Improvements; and Cabazon/Whitewater Road Improvements, more fully described in Attachments A, B, and C, attached hereto; and

**ACTION:Policy** 

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Hewitt, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:

Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt

Nays:

None None

Absent: Date:

December 10, 2019

XC:

**EDA** 

Kecia R. Harper

Clerk of the Board

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4. Direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk within five working days.

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Y	ear:	Next Fiscal Ye	ar:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$735,0	000	\$	0	\$735,000	\$0
NET COUNTY COST	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS Grant Funds, 100%	S: Communi	ty D	evelopment	Block	Budget Adju	stment: No
					For Fiscal Ye	ar: 2019/20

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: [CEO use]

### **BACKGROUND:**

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that all substantial amendments to the County's Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the One-Year Action Plans are subject to the Citizen Participation Plan and are approved by the Board of Supervisors and HUD. In accordance with the County of Riverside's Citizen Participation Plan for the 2019-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan (Citizen Participation Plan), all new activities added to a One-Year Action Plan, any significant increases in funding or changes to an existing project, or other changes or amendments to the 2019-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan are considered to be substantial amendments.

The proposed new Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) projects warranting these substantial amendments have been determined by staff to be eligible activities that meet a National Objective of the CDBG program. A description of the proposed amendments to the 2019-2020 One-Year Action Plan are set forth in Attachments A, B, and C, attached hereto. Staff recommends approval of the new CDBG projects listed below as substantial amendments to the 2019-2020 One-Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan:

Green Acres/Winchester Road Improvements	\$380,000	Add New CDBG Activity
Desert Arc Parking Improvements	\$50,000	Add New CDBG Activity
Cabazon/Whitewater Road Improvements	\$305,000	Add New CDBG Activity

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the substantial amendments were reviewed and determined to be categorically exempt from CEQA under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), General Rule or "Common Sense" exemption. The projects and the substantial amendments are an administrative planning document that will only have financial and administrative effects. It can be seen with certainty that there is no

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possibility that the proposed substantial amendments may have a significant effect on the environment and will not lead to any direct or reasonably indirect physical impacts. The projects identified in the substantial amendments will be subject to separate CEQA environmental review prior to taking any choice limiting action or discretionary action on that specific project. A Notice of Exemption will be filed by County staff with the County Clerk within five days of the approval of the substantial amendments.

Furthermore, the substantial amendments were determined to be exempt from the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) pursuant to Title 24 Code of Federal Regulations Sections 58.34 (a)(1) and (a)(3) since the proposed substantial amendments are administrative activities. The projects identified in the substantial amendments will be subject to separate NEPA environmental review prior to taking any choice limiting action or discretionary action on specific projects.

Pursuant to 24 CFR Section 91.105 and the Citizen Participation Plan, the Economic Development Agency published the required public notice notifying the public of the comment period for the proposed substantial amendments on November 9, 2019. No public comments have been received.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the substantial amendments to the 2019-2020 One-Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan as to form.

## Impact on Residents and Businesses

Green Acres/Winchester Road Improvements: The Riverside County Transportation Department will use CDBG funds to pay costs associated with road improvements to Green Avenue (north of Penny Lane to Old State Highway, approximately 2,200 feet) and East Grand Avenue (between Patterson Avenue and Oxbow Lane, approximately 1,300 feet) in the unincorporated communities of Green Acres and Winchester. The roads are located within a community that is 62% low-income. All improvements will take place within existing Right-of-Ways. The improvements will provide enhanced vehicular and pedestrian safety, all weather emergency access, dust mitigation, and improved drainage.

**Desert Arc Parking Improvements**: The Desert Arc's mission is to enhance the quality of life and create opportunities for people with disabilities. Desert Arc will use CDBG funds to pay costs associated with the design and construction of up to eight (8) additional parking stalls at their facility. The project will improve pedestrian safety and vehicular traffic flow.

Cabazon/Whitewater Road Improvements: The Riverside County Transportation Department will use CDBG funds to pay costs associated with road improvements to Cholla Road (from Tamarack Road to Amethyst Drive, approximately 2,107 feet) and Ocotillo Road

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(from Tamarack Road to Desert View Avenue, approximately 1,450 feet) in the unincorporated community of Whitewater (east of Cabazon). The roads are located within a community that is 75% low-income. All improvements will take place within existing Right-of-Ways. The improvements will provide enhanced vehicular and pedestrian safety, all weather emergency access, dust mitigation, and improved drainage.

# **Additional Fiscal Information**

There will be no impact upon County's General Fund.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- Attachments A, B, and C Substantial Amendments
- Attachment D Public Notice and Proof of Publication
- Attachment E Executed Notice of Exemption

Gregory V. Priantos, Director County Counsel 11/26/2019

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Approve the Substantial Amendments to the 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan to include the Green Acres/Winchester Road Improvements, Desert Arc Parking Improvements, and Whitewater Road Improvements, Districts 3, 4, and 5. [\$735,000 - Community Development Block Grant 100%]; CEQA Exempt

Attachment A	Green Acres/Winchester Road Improvements Project Description
Attachment B	Desert ARC Parking Improvements Project Description
Attachment C	Cabazon/Whitewater Road Improvements Project Description
Attachment D	Public Notice and Proof of Publication
Attachment E	Notice of Exemption

# ATTACHMENT A 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan Amendment

•Project:

Green Acres/Winchester Road Improvements

•Eligibility:

24 CFR 570.201 (C)

•Sponsor:

Riverside County Transportation Department

Address:

4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, CA 92501

Funding: \$380,000

**Project Description**: CDBG funds will be used to pay costs associated with the construction of approximately 2,200 feet of road improvements to portions of Green Avenue (north of Penny Lane to Old State Highway) and 1300' of improvements to East Grand Avenue (between Patterson Avenue and Oxbow Lane) in the unincorporated communities of Green Acres and Winchester. Improvements will consist of the construction of a 26' wide roadway, with 0.33' of thick hot mix asphalt over 0.5' of gravel base or native material, with dirt shoulders of varying width. All improvements will take place within existing ROWs.

**Site Location**: Green Avenue (north of Penny Lane to Old State Highway) and East Grand Avenue (between Patterson Avenue and Oxbow Lane) in the unincorporated communities of Green Acres and Winchester.

Benefit: 24 CFR Section 570.208 (a)(1)(i)

Number Served: 3,195

# ATTACHMENT B 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan Amendment

•Project:

**Desert Arc Parking Improvements** 

•Eligibility:

24 CFR 570.201 (C)

•Sponsor:

Desert Arc

Address:

73255 Country Club Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92260

**Funding**: \$50,000

**Project Description**: The Desert Arc's mission is to enhance the quality of life and create opportunities for people with disabilities. Desert Arc will use CDBG funds to pay costs associated with the design and construction of up to eight (8) ADA compliant parking stalls. The project will improve access, pedestrian safety, and vehicular traffic flow.

Site Location: 73255 Country Club Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92260

Benefit: 24 CFR Section 570.208 (a)(2)(i)(A)

Number Served: 700

# ATTACHMENT C 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan Amendment

•Project:

Cabazon/Whitewater Road Improvements

•Eligibility:

24 CFR 570.201 (C)

•Sponsor:

Riverside County Transportation Department

Address:

4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, CA 92501

Funding: \$305,000

**Project Description**: CDBG funds will be used to pay costs associated with the construction of approximately 3,557 feet of road improvements to Cholla Road and Ocotillo Road in the unincorporated community of Whitewater (east of Cabazon). Improvements will consist of the construction of a 26' wide roadway, 3,557 feet in length, 0.33" of thick hot mix asphalt over 0.5' of gravel base or native material, with dirt shoulders of varying width. All improvements will take place within existing ROWs.

**Site Location**: Cholla Road between Tamarack Road and Amethyst Drive, and Ocotillo Road between Tamarack Road and Desert View Avenue.

Benefit: 24 CFR Section 570.208 (a)(1)(i)

Number Served: 610

# ATTACHMENT D Public Notice and Proof of Publication

## Notice of Public Comment Period

## Substantial Amendment of the 2019-2020 One-Year Action Plan

## and the 2019-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan

The County of Riverside hereby notifies concerned members of the public, pursuant to 24 CFR 91.105, 24 CFR 91.505, and the County's Citizens Participation Plan, of its intent to amend the 2019-2020 One-Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan by the following actions:

Green Acres/Winchester Road Improvements	\$380,000	Add New CDBG Activity
Desert Arc Parking Improvements	\$ 50,000	Add New CDBG Activty
Cabazon/Whitewater Road Improvements	\$305,000	Add New CDBG Activity

A determination regarding the proposed amendment to the 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan has been scheduled on or about December 10, 2019, at the Riverside County Board of Supervisor's meeting, located at 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California.

Anyone interested in providing comments or obtaining additional information regarding this Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment may do so by contacting the Economic Development Agency at: 5555 Arlington Avenue, Riverside, CA, 92504, (951) 343-5474, Fax (951) 343-5609, sorozco@rivco.org. Both oral and written comments for all of the above items must be received no later than 4:00 PM on December 9, 2019.

Input and comments can also be received by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, CPD Division, 611 West Sixth Street, Suite 800, Los Angeles, CA 90017. The telephone number is (213) 894-8000. Comments or objections received after December 9, 2019, will not be considered by HUD.

Accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act are available upon request. Requests must be made at least 72 hours prior to meeting. Later requests will be accommodated to the extent feasible. Please call the Clerk of the Board office at (951) 955-1069, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

# THE PRESS-ENTERPRISE

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I am a citizen of the United States. I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to or interested in the above entitled matter. I am an authorized representative of THE PRESS-ENTERPRISE, a newspaper in general circulation, printed and published daily in the County of Riverside. and which newspaper has been adjudicated a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Riverside, State of California, under date of April 25, 1952, Case Number 54446, under date of March 29, 1957, Case Number 65673, under date of August 25, 1995, Case Number 267864, and under date of September 16, 2013, Case Number RIC 1309013; that the notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy, has been published in said newspaper in accordance with the instructions of the person(s) requesting publication, and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to wit:

#### 11/09/2019

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Legal Advertising Representative, The Press-Enterprise

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# ATTACHMENT E Executed Notice of Exemption

File No.: TBD

## ENVIRONMENTAL **EXEMPTION DOCUMENTATION**

To: County Clerk and Recorder's Office County of Riverside 2720 Gateway Drive Riverside, CA 92507

From: Economic Development Agency County of Riverside 5555 Arlington Ave Riverside, CA 92504

Project Title: Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 One-Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan to add the following projects: Green Acres/Winchester Road Improvements; Desert ARC Parking Lot Improvements; Cabazon/Whitewater Road Improvements; Districts 3,4, and 5; \$735,000.

**Grant No.:** B-19-UC-06-0506

Description of Project: Pursuant to 24 CFR Part 570, 24 CFR Part 91, and the Citizens Participation Plan, the Board of Supervisors is authorized to approve and adopt substantial amendments to the 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan for the HUD-funded CDBG, ESG, and HOME programs.

**Project Location:** Riverside County

Exempt Status: (Check one)

**Project Proponent:** Economic Development Agency for the County of Riverside

## **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

Project Description: The project, the Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 One-Year Action Plan of the 2019-2024 Five-Year Consolidated Plan, is an administrative planning document that will only have financial effect. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed substantial amendment may have a significant effect on the environment and will not lead to any direct or reasonably indirect physical impacts.

	Ministerial (Section 21080 (b) (1); Section 15268);
<del></del>	Declared Emergency [Section 21080 (b) (3); Section 15239(a)];
	Emergency Project [Section 21080 (b) (4); Section 15269 (b) (c)];
	Statutory Exemption (Section Number:)
	Categorical Exemption: Class 1 (Section Number:)
	These activities are not subject to CEQA [pursuant to Section 15061 (b) (3)
	Other
Environmenta	
	Susana Orozco, Program Manager

Date: November 4, 2019 Certifying Officer:

John Thurman, EDA Development Manager - CDBG/ESG Programs

Phone: 951-343-5618

# Riverside County Board of Supervisors Request to Speak

Submit request to Clerk of Board (right of podium), Speakers are entitled to three (3) minutes, subject to Board Rules listed on the reverse side of this form.
SPEAKER'S NAME: BRAN ANDERSON
Address:
city: Foundlo Willoge zip: 92070
Phone #: 768 409 9184
Date: 12-10-2019 Agenda # 3.17
PLEASE STATE YOUR POSITION BELOW:
Position on "Regular" (non-appealed) Agenda Item:
Support /OpposeNeutral
<b>Note:</b> If you are here for an agenda item that is filed for "Appeal", please state separately your position on the appeal below:
SupportOpposeNeutral
I give my 3 minutes to:

## **BOARD RULES**

## Requests to Address Board on "Agenda" Items:

You may request to be heard on a published agenda item. Requests to be heard must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board before the scheduled meeting time.

## Requests to Address Board on items that are "NOT" on the Agenda/Public Comment:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, a member of the public shall have the right to address the Board during the mid-morning "Oral Communications" segment of the published agenda. Said purpose for address must pertain to issues which are under the direct jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. YOUR TIME WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES. Donated time is not permitted during Public Comment.

### **Power Point Presentations/Printed Material:**

Speakers who intend to conduct a formalized Power Point presentation or provide printed material must notify the Clerk of the Board's Office by 12 noon on the Monday preceding the Tuesday Board meeting, insuring that the Clerk's Office has sufficient copies of all printed materials and at least one (1) copy of the Power Point CD. Copies of printed material given to the Clerk (by Monday noon deadline) will be provided to each Supervisor. If you have the need to use the overhead "Elmo" projector at the Board meeting, please ensure your material is clear and with proper contrast, notifying the Clerk well ahead of the meeting, of your intent to use the Elmo.

#### **Individual Speaker Limits:**

Individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. Please step up to the podium when the Chairman calls your name and begin speaking immediately. Pull the microphone to your mouth so that the Board, audience, and audio recording system hear you clearly. Once you start speaking, the "green" podium light will light. The "yellow" light will come on when you have one (1) minute remaining. When you have 30 seconds remaining, the "yellow" light will begin to flash, indicating you must quickly wrap up your comments. Your time is up when the "red" light flashes. The Chairman adheres to a strict three (3) minutes per speaker. Note: If you intend to give your time to a "Group/Organized Presentation", please state so clearly at the very bottom of the reverse side of this form.

## **Group/Organized Presentations:**

Group/organized presentations with more than one (1) speaker will be limited to nine (9) minutes at the Chairman's discretion. The organizer of the presentation will automatically receive the first three (3) minutes, with the remaining six (6) minutes relinquished by other speakers, as requested by them on a completed "Request to Speak" form, and clearly indicated at the bottom of the form.

#### Addressing the Board & Acknowledgement by Chairman:

The Chairman will determine what order the speakers will address the Board, and will call on all speakers in pairs. The first speaker should immediately step to the podium and begin addressing the Board. The second speaker should take up a position in one of the chamber aisles in order to quickly step up to the podium after the preceding speaker. This is to afford an efficient and timely Board meeting, giving all attendees the opportunity to make their case. Speakers are prohibited from making personal attacks, and/or using coarse, crude, profane or vulgar language while speaking to the Board members, staff, the general public and/or meeting participants. Such behavior, at the discretion of the Board Chairman, may result in removal from the Board Chambers by Sheriff Deputies.