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



ITEM: 3.102 (ID # 22352) **MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023

FROM:

SUPERVISOR V. MANUEL PEREZ:

SUBJECT: BOS DISTRICT 4: Approve the Fourth District Unincorporated Communities Initiative projects and direct the Executive Office to transfer \$1,941,941 from the Unincorporated Communities Fund to the noted County of Riverside Departments/Organizations to support project funding, District 4. [\$1,941,941 Total Cost – 100% NCC Funds]. (4/5 Vote Required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve the Fourth District Unincorporated Communities Initiative projects outlined below; and
- 2. Direct the Executive Office to pay \$100,000 from the Unincorporated Communities Initiative Fund to the Desert Recreation District; and

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ACTION:4/5 Vote Required

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

Ayes:

Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez

Nays:

None

Kimberly A. Rector

Absent: Date:

None

Clerk of the Board

XC:

BOS-Dist. 4, E.O., Trans., C.E.D., Animal Service

Aviation, First 5,

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RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- 3. Direct the County of Riverside Transportation Department to initiate work on said Unincorporated Communities Initiative project using the allocated resources from the Unincorporated Communities Fund; and
- 4. Direct the County of Riverside Code Enforcement Department to initiate work on said Unincorporated Communities Initiative project using the allocated resources from the Unincorporated Communities Fund; and
- 5. Direct the Riverside County Department of Animal Services to initiate work on said Unincorporated Communities Initiative project using allocated resources from the Unincorporated Communities Fund; and
- 6. Direct the Executive Office to pay \$500,000 from the Unincorporated Communities Initiative Fund to the Galilee Center; and
- 7. Direct the Riverside County Transportation and Land Management Agency (TLMA), Aviation Division to initiate work on said Unincorporated Communities Initiative project using allocated resources from the Unincorporated Communities Fund; and
- 8. Direct the Executive Office to pay \$250,000 from the Unincorporated Communities Initiative Fund to First 5 Riverside County Children and Families Commission; and
- 9. Direct the Riverside County Transportation, Code Enforcement, TLMA Aviation Division, and Animal Services to request budget adjustments for FY23/24 as necessary, to allocate funding for said Fourth District Unincorporated Communities Initiative projects; and
- **10.** Approve and direct the Auditor-Controller to commit the fund balance as detailed in Attachment A.

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost	
COST	\$ 1,941,941	\$0	\$ 1,941,94	1	\$0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 1,941,941	\$0	\$ 1,941,94	1	\$0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% Unincorporated Community Fund			Fund Budget A	Budget Adjustment: N/A	
		For Fisca	l Year: 22/23		

BACKGROUND:

On November 17, 2020, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Executive Office to implement an Unincorporated Communities Initiative (UCI). The UCI is a focused, ongoing, and coordinated effort to improve the infrastructure and services provided to the residents of unincorporated communities, with emphasis on Disadvantaged Unincorporated Communities (DUCs). The program is funded through the Unincorporated Communities Fund

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(UCF). The UCF receives authorized General Fund/Net County Cost (NCC) monies from the County during the annual budget and quarterly budget revision process.

On December 15, 2020, the Executive Office presented a proposed framework for planning and implementation of the UCI. With the support of the Board, the Executive Office established a team of staff and department heads to facilitate the UCI program. Through March 31, 2021, the Executive Office team held 15 community meetings and conducted online surveys to better understand community needs for services, infrastructure, and infrastructure maintenance. On May 25, 2021, the UCI Team presented the needs assessment to the Board.

On June 21, 2022, the Board adopted the FY22/23 Budget, which included the allocation of \$10,000,000 in NCC General Funds to the Unincorporated Communities Fund. The \$10,000,000 was to be divided evenly between the five Supervisorial Districts for each Supervisor's use within their unincorporated communities.

Based on the foundational work completed by the UCI Team and further analysis by this office, \$1,941,941 of the remaining available UCI funding for the Fourth District will be allocated to the following projects:

- **1.** \$100,000 to the Desert Recreation District to assist with the installation of lighting in community parks within the Indio Hills and North Shore communities.
- **2.** \$349,941 to the County of Riverside Transportation Department to assist with landscape and aesthetic improvements within the Mecca community.
- **3.** \$350,000 to the County of Riverside Code Enforcement Department to assist in the funding of equipment / capital needs associated with the formation of the Short-Term Rental (STR) Code Enforcement Team.
- **4.** \$32,000 to the Riverside County Department of Animal Services to provide pop-up veterinary wellness services in Fourth District unincorporated communities.
- **5.** \$500,000 to the Galilee Center to assist in the funding of renovations/expansion of their existing facility in the Mecca community.
- **6.** \$360,000 to the Riverside County Transportation and Land Management Agency, Aviation Division to assist with landscape and aesthetic improvements at the Jacqueline Cochran Regional Airport in the Thermal community.
- 7. \$250,000 to the First 5 Riverside County Children and Families Commission to assist in funding needs for various childcare centers within the Fourth District.

IMPACTS TO RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS:

Community parks within the Indio Hills and North Shore communities currently do not have sufficient lighting. The installation of lighting will provide enhanced security and extend the available time-of-use for these community parks.

The County of Riverside Transportation Department is proposing to enhance existing landscaping and aesthetics at the Hammond Road / 4th Street Roundabout as well as other County maintained roadways and parkways within the Mecca area. These improvements will provide an updated and refreshed look for both residents and visitors of the area.

The County of Riverside Code Enforcement Department is establishing a dedicated Short-Term Rental (STR) Team to address the increasing number of Short-Term Rentals countywide. The provided funding will assist in the formation of the STR Team by assisting in the funding of equipment and capital needs.

The Riverside County Department of Animal Services is proposing to provide pop-up veterinary wellness services to unincorporated communities to provide local access to veterinary services

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such as preventative care including vaccines and microchips. The sharp rise in stray and homeless pets that most communities are experiencing has had a significant impact on individuals and service providers. This program will offer services that will reduce that impact and improve pet care for residents.

The Galilee Center fulfills the needs of the underprivileged and disadvantaged by providing food, clothing, and other basic needs. The existing shelter facility located in Mecca is currently being renovated/expanded in order to provide additional services for asylum seekers and shelter for local farmworkers. The proposed funding will assist in these improvements.

The Jacqueline Cochran Regional Airport is a General Aviation Reliever Airport located adjacent to the Town of Thermal in Riverside County. The proposed improvements will enhance the facilities entrance located on Airport Blvd by updating the existing landscaping and providing a new, updated entry monument.

First 5 Riverside County provides various services to the County's youngest children. Additionally, First 5 provides assistance for childcare services at various childcare facilities within the Fourth District. The proposed childcare center funding will allow First 5 to continue to operate and provide childcare services for residents of the Fourth District.

The long-term goal of the Unincorporated Communities initiative is to ultimately improve infrastructure and services to all our unincorporated communities. This is a first step to meeting that commitment.

ATTACHMENT A: Schedule A (See Below)

SCHEDULE A

Committed Fund Balance Fiscal Year 2022/2023

Increase Committed Fund Balance:

10000-1101000000-330100 Committed Fund Balance \$1,941,941

Decrease Committed Fund Balance:

10000-1101000000-370100 Unassigned Fund Balance \$1,941,941

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