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



ITEM: 3.79 (ID # 22609) MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, August 01, 2023

FROM: BOS DISTRICT 5:

SUBJECT: BOS DISTRICT 5: Cabazon Community Revitalization Act Fund policy framework update and budget adjustment, District 5. [\$103,000 Ongoing Cost - 100% Cabazon CRA Infrastructure Fund] (4/5th Vote Required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- Approve the revision to the Cabazon Community Revitalization Act policy framework for the usage of the tax revenue currently being set aside to allow for the coordination of community outreach and planning for the draw down of these funds to augment public safety resources and services and support Board-approved capital improvement projects.
- 2) Approve appropriations to cover up to 50% of the costs for one staff member to assist in the coordination of community outreach and planning for the use of the CCRA Fund through Fiscal Year 2025/26.
- 3) Approve and direct the Auditor-Controller to make corresponding budget adjustments in Schedule A.

ACTION:Policy, 4/5 Vote Required

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

7/25/2023

Ayes:

Jeffries, Spiegel, Perez, Washington, and Gutierrez

Nays:

None

Absent: Date:

None

XC:

BOS Dist.5, Auditor

August 1, 2023

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Kimberly A. Rector

Clerk of the Board

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$103,000	\$103,000	\$0	\$103,000
NET COUNTY COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% Cabazon CRA Fund 30360			Budget Adj	ustment: Yes
			For Fiscal \	ear: 23/24 – 25/26

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

BACKGROUND:

The unincorporated community of Cabazon is among the most disadvantaged communities in the county. While the Desert Hills Premium Outlets has been a benefit to the region, it has come with a cost. The growth in the popularity of the outlets, combined with extraordinary population growth, has only magnified the need for additional infrastructure improvements and an increased public safety presence. For more than a decade, the Board of Supervisors has taken several steps to provide for enhanced investment in the area.

- On October 16, 2012 (Item 3.56), in recognition that Interstate 10 is the primary east/west connection between Southern California and the rest of the country and that hundreds of thousands of motorists pass through Cabazon every day, the Board endorsed the Interstate-10 "Lifeline" Plan to identify transportation projects and coordinate the work of partner departments and agencies necessary to mitigate the impacts of freeway emergencies on residents and travelers.
- On December 10, 2013 (Item 3.7b*), the Board created the Cabazon Community Revitalization Act (CCRA) for the exclusive purpose of setting aside 25% of the growth of sales and use tax generated from the outlets to mitigate the impacts on infrastructure and public safety services. At the time, it was acknowledged that adequate planning for public safety resources and enhanced infrastructure was necessary. The CCRA was to remain in effect until December 31, 2033, unless reauthorized by the Board.
- On December 10, 2013 (Item 3.7a*), the Board adopted a policy framework for the dedicated use of sales tax revenue in a specified area (ex: CCRA) as it relates to infrastructure spending and required that these funds be used only on capital projects approved by the Board on a 4/5 vote that address an extraordinary circumstance of noted regional significance that poses risks to public health and safety and/or compromises emergency response or lifeline services.

*It should be noted that items 3.7a and 3.7b were both approved on December 10, 2013 and were considered by the Board as complementary items. When the items were heard, the Board clarified that costs association with increasing public safety and improving infrastructure were eligible uses for this funding.

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 On August 28, 2018 (Item 3.11), the Board approved an allocation of \$1 million to TLMA for transportation plans (I-10 Bypass project development work), however that work was ultimately funded out of other available funding sources, and the allocated dollars were not drawn down.

As of this date, there is a balance of \$4.9 million in the CCRA fund that is available to benefit the Cabazon area by paying for eligible public safety and infrastructure needs. It has become apparent that more can be done to identify appropriate programs or projects to further draw down these funds. In recognition of that, the previous framework established by the Board should be expanded to specifically allow for greater coordination of community outreach and planning to augment public safety resources and services and support Board-approved capital improvement projects. This should include funding up to 50% of the costs for one staff member to assist in this effort.

Once the framework is updated, the intent is to fund 50% of a position on the 5th District staff through Fiscal Year 2025/26 to focus on evaluating needs and implementing programs and projects related to infrastructure and public safety in the Cabazon area. This would include doing community outreach and coordination with County departments. After FY 25/26, the continued need to use these funds to pay for a staff member for this purpose will be evaluated and brought before the Board for further action as may be necessary.

The cost of this will be \$103,000 in FY 23/24, and will increase as the cost of salaries and benefits increase through FY 25/26.

Impact on Citizens and Businesses

This position will enhance constituent services associated with infrastructure and public safety needs in the Cabazon community.

SUPPLEMENTAL:

Additional Fiscal Information

Of the total sales and use taxes collected by the Board of Equalization on taxable sales and uses, the county receives only the Bradley-Burns 1% Sales and Use Tax as unrestricted discretionary general fund revenue, which is expended to support operations and capital projects throughout the county.

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ATTACHMENTS

SCHEDULE A.	BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS FY23/24

Increase Appropriations: 10000-1000100000-510040 30360-1110600000-551100	Regular Salaries Contributions to Other County Funds	\$103,000 103,000
Increase Estimated Revenues: 10000-1000100000-790600	Contributions from Other County Funds	103,000
Anticipated Use of Committed F	und Balance: Committed Fund Balance – Capital Projects	103.000