

ITEM: 3.1 (ID # 26764) MEETING DATE: Tuesday, December 17, 2024

FROM : BOS DISTRICT 1

SUBJECT: BOS District 1: First District use of Highgrove Cannabis DA Funds for the purchase and installation of three (3) Solar Powered LED Enhanced Blinking Stop Signs in the Highgrove area, District 1. [\$4,500 Total Cost – Highgrove Cannabis DA Funds 100% / \$2,000 Ongoing Cost – Gas Tax 100%] (4/5 Vote Required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the use of Highgrove Cannabis DA Funds for the purchase and installation of 3 Solar Powered LED Enhanced Blinking Stop Signs in the Highgrove area.

ACTION:4/5 Vote Required

Then Supervisor Kevin Jeffries 12/5/2024

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Gutierrez 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 Gutierrez
Nays:	None
Absent:	None
Date:	December 17, 2024
XC:	BOS-District 1

Kimberly A. Rector Clerk of the Board By: Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$4,500	\$0	\$4,500	\$2,000
NET COUNTY COST	\$4,500	\$0	\$4,500	\$2,000
SOURCE OF FUNDS	5: 20280-3100800	Budget Adjus	stment: No	
			For Fiscal Yea	ar: 24/25

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

BACKGROUND:

<u>Summary</u>

On October 23, 2018, the Board approved a regulatory framework allowing cannabis businesses to begin the entitlement process in unincorporated areas of Riverside County, which included an amendment to Ordinance No. 348 (Zoning & Land Use). This action also established an initial one-year Implementation Process for processing conditional use permits for commercial cannabis cultivation and retail sales.

Additionally, on January 29, 2019, the Board adopted Board of Supervisors Policy No. B-9 and Resolution No. 2019-037, which established procedures and requirements for Development Agreements related to commercial cannabis activities. These policies aim to ensure that the County does not disproportionately bear the burden of commercial cannabis activities, that the County receives public benefits from these activities, that sufficient resources are available for enforcement, and that cannabis businesses have clarity regarding County requirements.

The public benefits from these agreements consist of two components: essential services provided by the County, such as ordinance enforcement, and contributions from commercial cannabis activities to the local community. These contributions may include local employment opportunities, community contributions, funding for infrastructure, additional Sheriff patrols, community cleanups or beautification programs, and other economic incentives for the community.

District 1 has started the process of prioritizing and identifying eligible projects, to be delivered by County Departments and is requesting to obligate a total of \$4,500 from the Highgrove Cannabis DA Funds. These funds will support the purchase and installation of 3 Solar Powered LED Enhanced Blinking Stop Signs in the Highgrove area. Solar Powered LED Enhancements Blinking Stop Signs enhance stop sign visibility and increase driver compliance for both day and night scenarios.

The First Supervisorial District and the Transportation Department are recommending that the existing all-way stop signs located at the following intersection be upgraded with Solar Powered LED enhanced Blinking Stop Signs:

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Intersection of Spring Street and Prairie Drive

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The installation of Solar Powered LED Enhanced Blinking Stop Signs will increase stop sign compliance resulting in enhanced intersection right-of-way control and safety as well as enhance pedestrian safety around the Highgrove community.

Additional Fiscal Information

The average cost to purchase and install a set of three Solar Powered LED Enhanced Blinking Stop Signs is \$4,500. A set of three Solar Powered LED Enhanced Blinking Stop Signs will be installed at each identified intersection. Annual maintenance is approximately \$2,000 per intersection and will be funded by Gas Tax. Transportation has indicated that the maintenance cost can be absorbed in their current budget and there is no need for a budget adjustment at this time.