



COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION
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SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 5/12/2020

To: Sonoma County Board of Supervisors
Department or Agency Name(s): General Services
Staff Name and Phone Number: Jane Elias, 707-565-6483
Vote Requirement: 4/5th
Supervisory District(s): All

Title:

Regional Climate Protection Authority Funding Agreement 2020

Recommended Action:

- A) Authorize the Director of General Services to execute an agreement with the Regional Climate Protection Authority (RCPA) for the County to provide up to \$168,092 in marketing, outreach, education, administration and consulting services, subject to reimbursement by RCPA, related to various Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) programs through December 31, 2020. This program allows staff to perform residential and commercial energy efficiency outreach, educational activities, and consultation services, resulting in the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions within the county.
- B) Authorize the Director of General Services to execute amendments with Regional Climate Protection Authority (RCPA), in form approved by County Counsel, to extend the term for up to two additional years and/or to receive additional funds that may become available during the course of the agreement.
- C) Adopt a resolution approving budget adjustments in the FY 19/20 budget in the amount of \$83,046 in additional appropriations and revenue for the new agreement with RCPA. (4/5th Vote Required)

Executive Summary:

Staff requests authorization for the Director of General Services to execute an agreement with the Regional Climate Protection Authority (RCPA) for the County General Service Department Energy and Sustainability Division (ESD) to deliver programs of the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) through December 31, 2020. The agreement provides funds from RCPA for ESD technical staff to perform residential and commercial sector energy efficiency projects, consultation, and educational activities, which result in the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions within the county. This program complements and enhances other energy efficiency programs and services offered by General Services ESD.

Discussion:

The Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) program aligns with and supports the goals and objectives associated with California Assembly Bill 32 and the 2006 Sonoma County Community Climate Action Plan. By promoting and facilitating the implementation of energy reduction projects and raising awareness of the environmental and economic benefits of such activities, the County will continue to demonstrate commitment and leadership in its efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions for County operations and the community.

Through partnership with RCPA, the General Services ESD will improve upon its service delivery, increase educational efforts, and continue serving the public with projects that result in greenhouse gas reductions and promote energy efficiency to enhance Sonoma County's community and environment.

This agreement leverages the impact of current energy efficiency and sustainability programs that the General Services Energy and Sustainability Division manages including the Sonoma County Energy Watch Program, the Sonoma County Energy Independence Program (SCEIP), the Sonoma Green Business Program, and workforce development programs with local contractors.

Prior Board Actions:

2/26/2019 - Board approved Professional Services Agreement with Regional Climate Protection Authority and the County of Sonoma for implementation and marketing energy efficiency and sustainability programs in the amount of \$95,969.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Expenditures	FY 19-20 Adopted	FY20-21 Projected	FY 21-22 Projected
Budgeted Expenses	\$47,985	\$168,092	\$168,092
Additional Appropriation Requested	\$83,046		
Total Expenditures	\$131,031	\$168,092	\$168,092
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal			
Fees/Other	\$131,031	\$168,092	\$168,092
Use of Fund Balance			
Contingencies			
Total Sources	\$131,031	\$168,092	\$168,092

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

Staff resource costs required to perform the agreement will be reimbursed by the RCPA and paid on a time and materials/expense basis. The Agreement establishes a not to exceed limit of \$168,092, which will be reimbursed to County for services performed. The County shall invoice the RCPA on a monthly basis. The contract is administered on a calendar year basis.

Staffing Impacts:			
Position Title (Payroll Classification)	Monthly Salary Range (A-I Step)	Additions (Number)	Deletions (Number)

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

There are no anticipated staffing impacts.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Professional Services Agreement with the Regional Climate Protection Authority

Attachment 2 - Resolution Authorizing a Budgetary Adjustment to the General Services

2019-20 Adopted Budget

Related Items “On File” with the Clerk of the Board:

None