

SONOMA COUNTY

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Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): Board of Supervisors

Staff Name and Phone Number: Supervisor Lynda Hopkins 707-565-2241

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisorial District(s): Fifth District

Title:

Funding Agreements and Eligible Funding Guerneville Security Programs

Recommended Action:

- A) Delegate authority to the County Administrator, and designee, to negotiate and execute funding agreements, in form approved by County Counsel, with community groups for security equipment, signage, education, and related neighborhood security measures and programs in downtown Guerneville.
- B) Approve expansion of eligible uses for the funding previously allocated for Guerneville Security, allowing for grants to be used for the purchase of security equipment, signage, education, contracts, materials and supplies, and related neighborhood security measures.

(Fifth District)

Executive Summary:

In the 2019/2020 budget the Board of Supervisors approved a restoration/add-back requested by Sheriff Essick and Supervisor Hopkins for \$300,000 for security patrols in downtown Guerneville. Subsequently, the funds were assigned to General Services to purchase security services. To date, \$136,899 has been used in paid/encumbered services. Therefore, \$163,101 funding is available for the implementation of new security measures recommended by Guerneville community groups.

This board action will allow the County Administrator to enter into grant funding agreements to use those available funds to support various community security measures and programs, including the purchase of signage, education, materials, supplies, and security equipment such as private camera systems.

Discussion:

In the 2019/2020 budget the Board of Supervisors approved an appropriation requested by Sheriff Essick and Supervisor Hopkins for \$300,000 to address issues of security in downtown Guerneville. While purchased security services have proved to be somewhat effective, further conversations with Sheriff's office and community groups indicated that additional measures may be less expensive, and more effective. Various neighborhood and community groups in Guerneville have proposed several security measures and programs, including purchase of signage, education campaigns, and security equipment such as camera systems to be installed at participating properties.

This item will use the \$163,101 remaining funds approved in 2019-2020 (CR) to be programmed in 2021/22 by

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way of grant funding agreements for community-proposed security measures and programs:

The uses of the funds for security measures and programs is consistent with other community investment efforts funded by the County, will serve neighborhood and public purposes, benefit the community and economy, and will meet the social needs of the population of the county in accordance with Government Code section 26227.

One such funding agreement with the 'Friends and Residents of Guerneville' association is currently being finalized, pursuant to which a portion of the available funding will be granted in support of the group's "Keeping Communities Safe" initiative, which will include purchase of private camera systems to be installed at participating properties.

The funding agreement will contain standard terms and conditions for County funding agreements and grant opportunities.

Prior Board Actions:

06-14-2019 FY 2019-20 Budget Adoption

FISCAL SUMMARY

Expenditures	FY 21-22 Adopted	FY22-23 Projected	FY 23-24 Projected
Additional Appropriation Requested	\$163,101		
Total Expenditures	\$163,101		
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal			
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance	\$163,101		
Contingencies			
Total Sources	\$163,101		

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

Available fund balance earmarked for this purpose will be appropriated either as part of the Funding Agreement(s) award or as part of the quarterly budget adjustments.

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

N/A

Attachments:

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:

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