



Legislation Text

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To: Sonoma County Board of Supervisors
Department or Agency Name(s): Regional Parks
Staff Name and Phone Number: Steve Ehret, 707-565-2041
Vote Requirement: Majority
Supervisory District(s): First District

Title:

Notice of Intent to Acquire approximately 120 acres located at 7777 Cougar Lane, Santa Rosa, to incorporate into Hood Mountain Regional Park & Preserve.

Recommended Action:

Adopt a resolution which 1) declares the Board's intention to purchase approximately 120 acres located at 7777 Cougar Lane, Santa Rosa ("Property"), to incorporate into Hood Mountain Regional Park & Preserve, 2) schedules 8:45 a.m. on November 16, 2021 as the time when the Board of Supervisors will consider the authorization of the purchase, and 3) directs the Clerk to publish the Notice of Intent pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code Sects. 25350 and 6063. (First District)

Executive Summary:

Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code Sections 25350 and 6063, Regional Parks seeks Board of Supervisors authority to publish a notice of intention to purchase approximately 120 acres adjacent to Hood Mountain Regional Park & Preserve.

Discussion:

Regional Parks has entered into a purchase agreement with the landowners to purchase the 120-acre subject Property for a purchase price of \$1,020,000. The Property is surrounded on three sides by Hood Mountain Regional Park & Preserve, and therefore, is a strategic acquisition for wildlife habitat connectivity, trail connectivity, and will support community wildfire protective measures.

Regional Parks intends to appear before the Board of Supervisors on November 16, 2021 to seek authorization to purchase the 120-acre Property; which will be financed with Parks for All Measure M, Park Mitigation Fees, Regional Parks Foundation, and an anticipated grant from a regional private foundation. A successful acquisition will eventually add to County's current 16,275 acres of Regional Parks facilities and services to our community.

Closing is proposed to take place on or before December 31, 2021. In the meantime, Regional Parks will be conducting a series of due diligence investigations including a boundary survey and hazardous materials inspection, and securing the final grant necessary to acquire the property.

California Government Code Section 25350 requires that the Board of Supervisors publish a notice of its intention to purchase property for park purposes prior to authorizing the acquisition. The notice must contain

a description of the property proposed to be purchased, the price, the seller, and a statement of the day and time the board will meet to authorize the purchase. This notice is to be published in a local newspaper once a week for three successive weeks all prior to the November 16, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting. The proposed language for this notice is an attachment to this Summary Report.

Regional Parks requests the Board's authority to publish a Notice of Intent of County to Purchase Real Property pursuant to California Government Code Section 25350 and 6063.

Prior Board Actions:

None.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Expenditures	FY 21-22 Adopted	FY22-23 Projected	FY 23-24 Projected
Budgeted Expenses	\$610,000	\$0	\$0
Additional Appropriation Requested		\$0	\$0
Total Expenditures	\$610,000		
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal			
Fees/Other	\$610,000	\$0	\$0
Use of Fund Balance			
Contingencies			
Total Sources	\$610,000		

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

While the publication of the Notice of Intent will have no fiscal impacts, \$610,000 is available in this year's Hood Expansion CIP budget. The remaining \$410,000 for the purchase price and additional project funding will be added in Q1 Consolidated Budget Adjustments.

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

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

None.

Attachments:

Resolution

Notice of Intent
Map

Related Items “On File” with the Clerk of the Board:
None.