



San Bernardino County

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**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

September 14, 2021

FROM

BEAHTA R. DAVIS, Director, Regional Parks Department

SUBJECT

Grant Contract Agreement with California Department of Parks and Recreation for the Per Capita Program

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve Grant Contract Agreement No. C9801096 with the California Department of Parks and Recreation - Office of Grants and Local Services for Glen Helen Regional Park in an amount not to exceed \$3,510,320 for the Renovation and Improvement Projects to be completed by June 30, 2024.

(Presenter: Beahta R. Davis, Director, 387-2340)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

Operate in a Fiscally-Responsible and Business-Like Manner.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this grant award will result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). If approved, this grant will require a total match of \$877,580, a \$170,580 increase from the original match calculation. On June 8, 2021 (Item No. 112), the Board of Supervisors (Board) allocated \$5 million in Discretionary General Funding to the Community Service Upgrades Reserve Fund that was approved as part of the 2021-22 budget to fund Regional Parks Department (Department) projects and improvements. Matching funds totaling \$877,580 are recommended to be funded through the use of the Community Service Upgrades Reserve Fund.

Total funding available under this grant is \$4,387,900 (including \$3,510,320 from the State and \$877,580 from the County). These funds will be used for renovations and improvements at Glen Helen Regional Park (Park). It is anticipated that some of these projects, once completed, will require ongoing maintenance, which is expected to be funded by the revenue from the increase in visitors and the additional concessionaires added to the Park. Approval of the necessary budget adjustments is not requested at this time, but will be presented to the Board for approval at a future date.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Proposition 68 is a \$4.1 billion bond measure to fund state and local parks, environmental projects, water infrastructure projects and flood projection projects throughout California. The measure was approved in 2018. The intent for the Proposition 68 Per Capita grant is to create new parks or new recreation opportunities at existing parks in critically underserved communities, such as Devore, across the state.

On June 24, 2020, the Department received notification from the Office of Grants and Local Services (OGLS) that the allocation for San Bernardino County was approved at \$3,535,000 and began acquiring project scope/cost estimates with the Real Estate Services - Project Management Division.

On June 22, 2021 (Item No. 83), the Board authorized the Department to file project applications with OGLS for Per Capita Grant Funds. The background of the item also stated a match requirement of \$707,000. After submittal of the project scope packets, OGLS corrected the match requirement to \$877,580, which is 20% of the total project cost of \$4,387,900.

This item will approve the Grant Contract Agreement No. C9801096 with OGLS for the purpose of receiving the 2021 allocation of Per Capita grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$3,510,320 and the allocation of \$877,580 from the Community Service Upgrades Reserve Fund for the match. Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Department to begin Capital Improvement Projects for renovations and improvements at the Park located in the unincorporated area of Devore. The Park has many deferred maintenance needs, which affects the experience of both park patrons and concert attendees. Some of these improvements have been identified by Live Nation in order to offer a better park experience to concert attendees. Proposed renovations at the Park include the demolition and replacement of five restrooms, replacement of three buildings with new playground and gathering spaces, repair of all walking bridges, repair of two concession stands, improvement to landscaping/irrigation, and renovation of the splash pad. These improvements will provide upgraded amenities to the underserved residents in Devore and in the neighboring communities around the Park.

Approval of this recommendation aligns with the County and Chief Executive Officer goals and objectives to provide for the safety, health and social service needs of County residents and to operate in a fiscally responsible and business-like manner by improving park amenities to enhance accessibility by meeting Americans with Disabilities Act requirements and to increase Park attendance to generate additional revenue.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Dawn Martin, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on August 24, 2021; Finance (Elias Duenas, Administrative Analyst, 387-4052) on August 24, 2021; and County Finance and Administration (Robert Saldana, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on August 24, 2021.