



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

LEONARD X. HERNANDEZ, Chief Executive Officer, County Administrative Office

SUBJECT

Agreement and Use Permit with the Regents of the University of California for UC Cooperative Extension Programs

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Approve Agreement with the Regents of the University of California on behalf of its UC Agriculture and Natural Resources and its UC Cooperative Extension for San Bernardino County to provide research and educational programs for the residents of San Bernardino County in the amount of \$77,500 for the one-year period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
2. Approve Use Permit with the Regents of the University of California on behalf of its UC Agriculture and Natural Resources and its UC Cooperative Extension for San Bernardino County for use of approximately 2,226 square feet of office and shared space, comprised of: (a) 1,556 square feet of the County-leased space located at the County Library facility at 7863 Central Avenue in Highland and (b) 670 square feet of County-owned space located at the Agriculture/Weights and Measures facility at 777 E. Rialto Avenue in San Bernardino, to operate the UC Cooperative Extension research and educational programs for the residents of San Bernardino County for no monetary fee for the one-year period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

(Presenter: Leonard X. Hernandez, Chief Executive Officer, 387-5417)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Promote the Countywide Vision.

Create, Maintain and Grow Jobs and Economic Value in the County.

Ensure Development of a Well-Planned, Balanced, and Sustainable County.

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

Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). Pursuant to the Agreement, San Bernardino County (County) shall pay the Regents of the University of California on behalf of its UC Agriculture and Natural Resources and its UC Cooperative Extension \$77,500 for UC Cooperative Extension (UCCE) staff to provide research and educational programs. The County shall also provide UCCE staff with use of a total of 2,226 square feet of County-leased space at the County Library in Highland and County-owned space at Agriculture/Weights and Measures in San Bernardino at no monetary cost to UCCE but has an in-kind value of \$64,428 for rent and County-provided utilities, maintenance, and

janitorial services. The costs for the County-provided utilities, maintenance, and janitorial services for the UCCE spaces are included in the County Library and Agriculture/Weights & Measures' 2021-22 budget. Appropriation of \$77,500 for the cost of research and education programs is included in the following departments' 2021-22 budgets:

Department	2021-22 Budget
Arrowhead Regional Medical Center	\$23,840
Agriculture/Weights and Measures	\$14,900
County Library	\$5,960
County Museum	\$2,980
Department of Public Health	\$11,930
Preschool Services Department	\$11,930
Regional Parks	\$5,960
Total Department Funding	\$77,500

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The recommended Agreement will allow UCCE to provide UCCE Programs to various County departments and the residents of the County and the recommended Use Permit will authorize the use of a total of 2,226 square feet of County-leased space at 7863 Central Avenue in Highland and County-owned space at 777 E. Rialto Avenue in San Bernardino, each for the one-year period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. These agreements meet the stated County Goals and Objectives by providing a countywide system of community-based education that is a partnership between local County government and the University of California.

UCCE provides research and educational programs to County residents in the areas of food and nutrition education, gardening and horticulture, food preservation, natural resources and youth development. These agreements have a clear nexus to County departments for department-specific, outcome-based services. The County and UCCE will continue to develop services that are defined and agreed upon by the individual departments. The overall effort also includes a commitment from each department to assist with outreach to the public; the implementation of a "Program Outcomes Reporting Tool"; assistance with the creation and distribution of academic and research material; and quarterly reports and strategy meetings to evaluate the success of the programs and to redefine and/or revise as necessary to meet the needs of County residents.

UCCE was started to help farmers, homemakers, and youth by providing access to the latest university research to improve their lives. After over a century of service, UCCE continues to connect communities with the university campus, bringing practical, trusted, science-based solutions to Californians. Cooperative Extension, through the University of California's Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources, has 57 county offices throughout the state, and nine research and extension centers.

On June 6, 1917, the Board of Supervisors (Board) requested by Resolution that the Regents of the University of California establish an office of the Cooperative Agriculture Extension Service in San Bernardino County to provide agriculture expertise and education to residents of the County. Since September 2009, UCCE has provided a variety of programs through annual agreements with the County. In addition, UCCE has, at least in part, delivered programs (via a Use Permit) in the Agriculture/Weights and Measures space within the County-owned facility at 777 East Rialto Avenue in San Bernardino, and the County Library's leased facility at 7863 Central Avenue in Highland. The Highland Library offers 1,556 square feet which includes exclusive use of an indoor lab and office space, and non-exclusive use of a community room. The Agriculture/Weights and Measures San Bernardino location offers 670 square feet of available space, which includes exclusive use of indoor/outdoor storage.

The Agreement may be terminated at any time by either party upon 60 days prior written notice, which will simultaneously terminate the Use Permit. The Use Permit may be terminated in part as to the County Library space in Highland if the County's lease for the Highland library is terminated or terminated in its entirety due to default, but there is no right for either party to terminate for convenience. If the Use Permit is terminated in whole or in part, the Agreement shall continue but County shall have no obligation to provide alternate space. The Director of the Real Estate Services Department may exercise the termination right in the Use Permit on behalf of the County.

The Agreement and the Use Permit are being presented at this time for Board approval effective as of July 1, 2021, as the terms of the Agreement and Use Permit were finalized on August 30, 2021 and this is the first date available for presentation following the required operational, fiscal, and legal reviews. Approval by the Board on this date will have no impact on UCCE's services and activities.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Penny Alexander-Kelley, Chief Assistant County Counsel, 387-5455 and Agnes Cheng, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on August 20, 2021; County Library (Patricia Turley, Interim County Librarian, 387-2220) on August 26, 2021; Agriculture/Weights and Measures (Michael Jimenez, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-2258) on August 25, 2021; Finance (Stephenie Shea, Administrative Analyst, 387-4919; Paul Garcia, Administrative Analyst, 386-8392; Elias Duenas, Administrative Analyst 387-4052; and Yael Verduzco, Administrative Analyst, 387-5285) on August 27, 2021; and Finance and Administration (Matthew Erickson, County Chief Financial Officer, 387-5423) on August 26, 2021.