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AGENDA DATE: September 29, 2020 - REVISED

AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT:

Approve Private Vehicular Access Maintenance Agreement with

Rimm Resources, LLC and Villa Del Arroyo Moorpark LLC

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- Approve the Private Vehicular Access Maintenance Agreement between the County of Tulare, Rimm Resources, LLC and Villa Del Arroyo Moorpark LLC, to allocate responsibility for and the maintenance and repair of Avenue 268 or Park Road, located in the City of Visalia, effective upon approval by the Board of Supervisors; and
- 2. Authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Agreement.
- 3. Authorize the Clerk of the Board to record the agreement with the Clerk-Recorder.
- Authorize the Resource Management Agency to create an interest bearing trust fund to place the payments for the Private Vehicular Access Easement maintenance into.
- 5. Direct the Environmental Assessment Officer to file the Notice of Exemption.

SUMMARY:

The real estate on which the road sits is along the south side of Mooney Grove Park on what was deeded to the County on March 23, 1923 by Eliza P. Parker and W. W. Phillips. From 1923 to 1996, the County had designated the road as a public road, but it was neither maintained nor entered into the County's road system. The roadway currently sits within the city limits of the City of Visalia.

In 1996, the Board of Supervisors vacated Avenue 268 on what is now the Private Vehicular Access Easement (PVAE), also known as Avenue 268 or Park Road,

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through Resolution No. 96-1000, Document 96-088102. The first 200 feet of the PVAE is encumbered by the Caltrans Right of Way for State Route 63.

The County granted a portion of what is now Mooney Grove Park APN 126-190-014 to the Villa Del Arroyo Moorpark LLC Property ("the mobile home park" or also known as Augusta Communities) creating APN 126-340-026; the County gave the mobile home park ownership over most of the roadway in fee though this process. Grant Deed Document No. 1999-0052654, states: "reserving to the COUNTY OF TULARE a nonexclusive easement on, over and under all of said property for public and private utility purposes, and for proprietary County use for access to any abutting County-owned real property." The County maintains ownership over the northern part of the roadway in front of the mobile home park and the entire roadway in front of the two remaining properties (i.e. to the property lines) for the "Trask" and "Rimm" properties. However, the original reciprocal access agreement by the mobile home park for "Trask", and what is now "Rimm", was never completed.

The Planning Commission approved Special Use Permit No. PSP 18-009 on May 9, 2018 through resolution 9443 with a condition that Rimm Resources would enter into a maintenance agreement, as part of a Private Vehicular Access Easement (PVAE) Agreement. Minor Modification No. MIM 19-052 to PSP 18-009 was approved on August 17, 2020 in anticipation of approval of this Agreement. Rimm Resources through a program called Linking Individuals in Key Settings (LINKS) provides care and support, with a natural setting, for adults 18 and above who are diagnosed with intellectual disabilities. The classroom instruction will occur on approximately 3.5 acres of the Rimm Property, and the remaining 6.5 acres will be planted in orchard, fruit trees, and/or vegetables and succulents. Existing access for children and other residents from the mobile home park will be through the existing, PVAE, which is shared by the County Parks Department's maintenance crews.

Finding of Fact (FOF) No. 7 of resolution 9443, found... "determination by the County Surveyor that: (1) The vacation of Avenue 268 by BOS Resolution No. 1996-088102 provided "The vehicular access needs of all present users of the Park...."; (2) The Manor owner (Mooney Grove Mobilehome Park) was required to grant to the Trask and Heater (Rimm) properties a nonexclusive easement for residential road and utility purposes; the execution of that grant has not been found; and (3) The Manor property Grant Deed, Document No. 1999-0052654 provides a non-exclusive easement to the property for "public use."

Given the disagreement with Augusta Communities over the rights of the users under the existing private roadway as provided in FOF No. 7, FOF No. 8 and Condition of Approval No. 16 were proposed to correct, clarify and perfect the easement rights and remedies. Finding No. 6 states... "Rimm Resources, LLC, has agreed to enter into a maintenance agreement with the owners of the mobile home park (Augusta Communities) (COA #16)." COA 16 states: "A Maintenance

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Agreement between the Manor (Augusta Communities) property owners and the Rimm Resources, LLC property owners shall be executed." Given the length of the Resource Management Agency's (RMA's) negotiation with the parties, and the good faith the parties have operated under while going through this process; it is with great pleasure that RMA staff is proposing this maintenance agreement to the Board of Supervisors in fulfillment of the Conditions of Approval.

It is noted a "non-party" to this agreement, "Mr. Trask," after discussions with the City of Visalia, and through the County of Tulare will be allowed full access rights through this agreement without committing funds. Fortunately, for the County, the City of Visalia recently repaved the first 200 feet of the entry point to the PVAE, which allowed the County to extend its potential funding towards completing the remaining PVAE eastward to the Mooney Grove entryway for the Parks Department.

The total estimated cost for building a sidewalk and improving the remaining PVAE is \$96,000. Rimm paid \$20,000 up front for improvements, Augusta paid \$5,000. RMA will fund the remaining estimated amount of \$71,000.

Rimm and Augusta each shall make an annual maintenance payment of ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,200.00). The County will contribute funds in the amount of which shall remain within the discretion of County, but which are not less than equal to the amount of an Annual Payment (currently \$1,200.00). When there are sufficient funds again (approximately \$90,000) to repave the roadway, the PVAE will be maintained by the County's Road's Department.

The County is working with the residents to rename the PVAE through the City of Visalia.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

The PVAE maintenance agreement and project is Exempt in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Categorical Exemption: Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Guideline § Section 15061 (b)(3) pertaining use of the Common Sense Exemption.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There will be a net County Cost of \$71,000 that is included within the RMA budget. No budget adjustment is needed for the approval of this agreement.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

Approval of the PVAE Maintenance Agreement is linked to two initiatives of Tulare County's Strategic Business Plan: Economic Well-Being and Quality of Life as the PVAE will constitute appropriate financing for this project and foster orderly growth in compliance with the General Plan.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Aaron R. Bock, MCRP, JD, LEED AP

Assistant Director

Michael Washam Associate Director

Reed Schenke P.E.

Director

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachments: Exhibit A - Agreement and Copy of Check signed by Rimm

Resources, LLC

Exhibit B - Agreement and Copy of Check signed by Villa Del Arroyo

Moorpark LLC

Exhibit C – Notice of Exemption

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE PRIVATED IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH RIMM RESOURCE LLC AND VILLA DEL ARROYO MOORPARK, LLC	Agreement No.
UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISO	OR, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR	_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN	OFFICIAL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 29,
2020, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:	
ATTEST:	JASON T. BRITT COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BY:	Deputy Clerk
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Exhibit "C"

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Noti	ice (of Exemption	
То:	\boxtimes	Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Sacramento, CA 95814	
		Tulare County Clerk Room 105, Courthouse 221 South Mooney Boulevard Visalia, California 93291	
Lead Agency: Tulare County - Resource Management Agency 5961 South Mooney Blvd. Visalia, CA 93277 Ph: 559-624-7000 Attn: hguerra@co.tulare.ca.us			Date Filed with Tulare County Clerk
		Visalia, CA 93277 Ph: 559-624-7000	
Applic	cant(s)	Aaron R. Bock , Tulare County 5961 South Mooney Blvd. Visallia, CA 93277 Ph: (559) 624-7050	
Activit Activit Projec Descri	ty/Pro ty/Pro t Loca ption	ject Title: ject Location: The project site is a roadway (old Ave. 268) located at a ject Location-Section, Township, Range: Section 18, Township 19 sation - County: Tulare of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: This Notice of Example of maintenance on the roadway because the maintenance will not seem to the roadway because the roadw	South, Range 25 East, M.D.B. & M. xemption is for a PVAE Maintenance Agreement
Exemp	ot Stat	cus: (check one)	
		Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268); Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)); Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)); Common Sense Exemption: CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. Se	ection 15061 (b)(3)) (No Possibility of Significant
		 Impact); Categorical Exemption: Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Guideline § 15303, Class 3 pertaining to New Construction or Conversion of Existing Structures; 	
		Statutory Exemption: Section 15268 (b) (1) Ministerial Issuance of Bui	lding Permits and Section 15300.4.
applica mainte	ible ar nance	ny Activity/Project is exempt from CEQA: The use of the Common appropriate for this PVAE Maintenance Agreement and the perform will not require additional digging including additional wells, gradinges to the environment resulting in a significant effect.	nance of maintenance on the roadway because the
		blic Agency Approving Activity/Project: County of Tulare Resource	Management Agency

Activity/Project Representative Aaron R. Bock, Assistant Planning Director

Signature:

Hector Guerra

Date:

Title: Chief Environmental Planner

Title: Environmental Assessment Officer

Reed Schenke, P.E.

Signature:

Date:

Date:

Date:

Date:

Date:

Date:

N/A