

AGENDA DATE: March 7, 2006



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AGENDA ITEM

ITEM NO. _____
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SUBJECT:

Authorization to apply for a Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris Urban Open Space and Recreation Grant.

REQUEST(S):

Authorize the Resource Management Agency, Parks Division, to submit a Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris Urban Open Space and Recreation Grant application for improvements and enhancements for Tulare County Parks system in the amount of \$592,533.

SUMMARY:

The State of California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR) released a Notice of Funding availability for the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002. This Act authorized funding for the Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris (RZH) Urban Open Space and Recreation Grant Program. This grant provides \$186.7 million in funds statewide. Tulare County was allocated \$592,533 based on population.

How RZH funds are applied for:

To Get a Contract

1. The applicant submits a resolution authorized by their governing body. It is not necessary to identify projects in the resolution.
2. The CDPR reviews the resolution and sends a contract to the applicant for signature.

3. The applicant returns the signed contract to the CDPR.
4. The CDPR returns a fully executed contract to the applicant (now Grantee).
5. A contract must be fully executed within three years from the appropriation date, or funds will revert to the Legislature.

To Apply for a Project(s)

1. The Grantee determines the project(s) and amount of grant funds needed for each project.
2. As projects are identified, the Grantee submits individual project application(s) to the CDPR.
3. The CDPR reviews the application materials and sends a letter of approval to the Grantee or requests additional information.

To Request Funds

1. After the application is approved, the Grantee may request advances for the project.
2. The Grantee may request reimbursement only for expenses incurred after the program Appropriation date.

Project Completion

1. The Grantee completes the project and submits the Project Completion Package to the Project Officer.
2. The CDPR conducts the final on-site project inspection.
3. The CDPR processes the final payment.
4. The project(s) must be fully completed (including processing final payment) within eight years after the appropriation date, or funds will revert to the Legislature.
5. The CDPR may perform an audit of the completed project

The Parks Division proposes that the County apply for \$592,533. A good potential use of these funds would be to renovate and upgrade the restrooms in all the County Parks. This would provide an additional level of service to the people utilizing the parks.

FINANCING:

There are no matching fund requirements for the RZH Grant.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could deny the request for submission of the RZH Grant.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

County Counsel to approve the contract as to form.

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:

County Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or authorized Deputy to attest to the resolution

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN OFF:

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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Assistant Director-Support Service

Henry Hash, Director

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Submittal Date: February 22, 2006

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

AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR GRANT)
FUNDS FOR THE ROBERTI-Z'BERG-) RESOLUTION NO.
HARRIS BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM UNDER)
THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN)
AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, AND)
COASTAL PROTECTION ACT OF 2002)

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR _____,
THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AT AN OFFICIAL
MEETING HELD ON MARCH 7, 2006, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

- AYES:
- NOES:
- ABSTAIN:
- ABSENT:

ATTEST: C. BRIAN HADDIX
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY _____
Deputy Clerk

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WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS AND COASTAL PROTECTION ACT OF 2002 which provides funds for the Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris Block Grant Program for grants to eligible Applicants, and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Parks and Recreation has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the program within the State, setting up necessary procedures, and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the California Department of Parks and Recreation require the Applicant's Governing Body to certify by resolution the approval of the Applicant to apply for the Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris allocation; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California for the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the _____ hereby:

1. Approved the filing of an Application for local assistance funds from the Roberti-Z' Berg-Harris Block Grant Program under the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks and Coastal Protection Act of 2002; and
2. Certified that the Applicant has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the Project(s); and
3. Certified that the Applicant has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the General Provisions contained in the Contract shown in the Procedural Guide; and
4. Certified that the Project conforms to the recreation element of any applicable city or county general plan; and
5. Authorized the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Agreement; and
6. Appointed the Resource Management Agency Director as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, Applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, subject to County Counsel approval, which may be necessary for the completion of the Project.

Approved and Adopted on the ____ day of _____, 20____

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number _____ was duly adopted by _____ following a roll call vote:
(Applicant's Governing Body)