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AGENDA DATE:	June 7,	2011	- REVISED
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SUBJECT:

Amendment to Tulare County Association of Governments Joint

Powers Agreement

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve Amendment One to Agreement No. 24583 (the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) Joint Powers Agreement among the Cities and the County) to give TCAG the authority to acquire, maintain, and dispose of real property or an interest in real property exclusively as it pertains to offices for personnel.
- 2. Authorize the Chairman to execute ten (10) originals of the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) Amendment One approved by a sufficient number of the nine (9) political subdivisions and leaving the date blank with the understanding that the effective date will be the date the Amendment is executed by the last party.

SUMMARY:

The County and the Cities have recognized that it is desirable to provide a forum for the coordination of governmental activities involving both long-range and functional planning for the Cities and the County, and to develop programs which will assure compatible action between all levels of government within the County for plan implementation.

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To that end, TCAG was established on May 4, 1971 by a JPA among the Cities and the County. Since then, the JPA has been amended in June 1975, February 1976 and May 2010. TCAG is responsible for overseeing and planning projects including bus services, road improvements, and air quality improvements.

On February 22, 2011, a workshop was conducted for the TCAG Board regarding improvement and visioning strategies for TCAG, followed by a meeting at which the TCAG Board approved various strategies including the relocation of TCAG staff from current office space at County of Tulare Government Plaza located on Mooney Boulevard in Visalia.

At the regularly scheduled TCAG meeting on March 21, 2011, The TCAG Board approved TCAG Relocation Site Parameters as recommended by staff and established a Site Selection and Negotiating Committee.

The approved TCAG Relocation Site Parameters included:

- 1. Centralized location in the County
- 2. Near SR-198 and SR-99
- 3. Transit access
- 4. Close proximity (walking distance) to restaurants and other uses
- 5. Minimum of 5,500 SF and 10 dedicated parking spaces along with access to 50 other parking spaces
- 6. Video Conferencing capability
- 7. Downtown environment

The Site Selection and Negotiating Committee included representatives from City of Porterville, City of Visalia, City of Tulare, County of Tulare, TCAG and one at-large member.

However, TCAG does not currently have the authority to enter into property lease agreements. At the regularly scheduled TCAG meeting on May 16, 2011 the Board of Directors approved a proposed Amendment One to the JPA that would give TCAG the authority to acquire, maintain, and dispose of real property or any interest in real property, exclusively as it pertains to offices for personnel. The power does not include the power of eminent domain.

All Cities and the County must execute the amendment to the JPA in order for it to go into effect. The effective date will be the date the proposed JPA is executed by the last party.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no cost to the County to approve the proposed amendment to the JPA.

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LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

Safety and Security: Maintaining our roads and improving our transportation infrastructure is fundamental to the safety of residents.

Organizational Performance: Partnering with other jurisdictions to address common goals improves the quality of efforts and is economically advantageous to all jurisdictions.

Quality of Life: Improving air quality in our County improves the health and quality of life of residents.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could decide not to approve the proposed JPA and continue operating under the current JPA. This is not recommended as it would not comply with TCAG's long-range and functional planning options.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

County Counsel approved the amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement as to form.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Carol Pightling

Senior Administrative Analyst

Cc: Auditor/Controller County Counsel

County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment(s): TCAG JPA Agreement, June 2010

JPA Amendment One

Memorandum from TCAG, dated May 17, 2011

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

IN THE MATTER OF Amendment to Tulare County Association of Governments Joint Powers Agreemer) RESOLUTION NO nt) AGREEMENT NO
UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISO	PR, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR	, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OF, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	FICIAL MEETING HELD
AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:	
	JEAN M. ROUSSEAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BY:	Deputy Clerk
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- 2. Authorized the Chairman to execute ten (10) originals of the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) Amendment One approved by a sufficient number of the nine (9) political subdivisions to constitute at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the population of the entire County and leaving the date blank with the understanding that the effective date will be the date the Amendment is executed by the last party.