



**SAN BENITO COUNTY
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Item Number: 1.17

MEETING DATE: 11/12/2024

DEPARTMENT: RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

AGENDA ITEM PREPARER: Dulce Alonso

DEPT HEAD/DIRECTOR: Steve Loupe

SUBJECT:

Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Recreation Exercise Adventure Community Health ("R.E.A.C.H") San Benito Parks Foundation for a shared cost for park improvements at the County Historical Park to be completed by December 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$51,400.00, for a total combined project investment of \$108,900.00. Authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the MOU. Delegate authority to the Public Works Administrator to execute another MOU with REACH to allow for a grant application to be submitted for the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Inflation Reduction Act Community Change Grant (CCG) Program. This additional MOU requires no financial obligation for the County of San Benito

SBC FILE NUMBER: 92.1

AGENDA SECTION:

CONSENT AGENDA

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

Recreation Exercise Adventure Community Health "REACH" was created to support a healthier community through strategic, equity-based development and enhancement of parks, facilities, and recreation opportunities within San Benito County and is a 501(c)(3) recognized by the Internal Revenue Service and exempt from Federal income tax; REACH was formed as a California Public Benefit Corporation to support the County of San Benito Park's efforts to ensure equitable access to these vital community resources for individuals of all ages and physical abilities, which includes fundraising from private foundations and organizations, collaboration with diverse public and private entities, assisting with grant procurement, coordinating volunteer efforts and promoting accessible parks and recreation

facilities.

REACH was able to raise private funding for a park project at the County Historical Park, and the funding is contingent on obtaining a county contribution to the project to improve ADA accessibility and add shade throughout the park through many improvements and enhancements. The total project cost is estimated to be \$108,900.00 and will be run and managed by REACH with support from the Public Works Administrator.

The RMA Department is also teaming with REACH to apply for a grant that will fund additional improvements and programs at the Riverview Regional Park. That grant requires that the local agency have a partnership agreement/MOU with a local Community Based Organization such as REACH. The partnership agreement/MOU will not require any obligation of funding from either the County of San Benito or REACH. This grant application is due for submittal on November 21, 2024. Consequently, this agenda item is requesting authorization for the Public Works Administrator to execute another agreement with REACH to allow for that grant application to be submitted.

RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE NEEDED FOR THIS ITEM:

No

CONTRACT NEEDED FOR THIS ITEM:

Yes

RFP AND BID HISTORY:

No RFP or Bid as this is a county contribution for a county parks project.

LAST CONTRACT AMOUNT OR N/A:

51,400.00

CONTRACT HISTORY (Describe all amendments and previous contracts):

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 1. Operational Development & Excellence

Yes

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 2. Planning And Sustainable Growth

Yes

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 3. Technology

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 4. Community Engagement

Yes

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 5. Health & Safe Community

Yes

BUDGETED:

Yes

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT NEEDED:

N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

UNFUNDED MANDATE:

No

SBC BUDGET LINE ITEM NUMBER:

300.70.3500.1307.650.202

CURRENT FY COST:

\$51,400.00

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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ATTACHMENTS:

[Executed MOU COSB and REACH](#)
[2024 REACH SBC Proposal to SBC Public Works](#)