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Agenda

FINANCE COMMITTEE

March 26, 2018

9:00 A.M.

651 Pine Street, Room 101, Martinez

Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, Chair
Supervisor John Gioia, Vice Chair

Agenda Items:

Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference of the Committee

Present: Chair Karen Mitchoff
Vice Chair John Gioia

Staff Present: Lisa Driscoll, Finance Director; Eric Angstadt, Chief Assistant County Administrator; Ramesh Kanzaria, CPM/Public Works; Linda Wilcox, Deputy County Counsel; Timothy Ewell, Chief Assistant County Administrator; Robin Lipetzky, Public Defender; Ali Saidi, Deputy Public Defender; Pat Frost, CCC EMS; Jeff Carman, Contra Costa County Consolidated Fire Chief; Lia Bristol, Staff to Supervisor Mitchoff; Jesse Allured, CCC EMS; Marshall Bennett, CCC EMS

1. Introductions
2. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to three minutes).

There were no comments from the Public on items not on the agenda.

3. Staff recommends approval of the Record of Action for the October 23, 2017 meeting.

The Record of Action for the October 23, 2017 meeting was approved as recommended.

AYE: Chair Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair John Gioia
Passed

4. ACCEPT Quarterly Capital Projects update.

Ramesh Kanzaria presented the Quarterly Capital Report. Mr. Kanzaria reviewed the summary page in detail and noted that the Summary page included several completed FLIP projects. Attached is an updated Summary report, which correctly excludes those projects. There are currently 73 funded projects at \$242.4 million. There were nine new projects since the last report totaling \$3.386 million and 10 projects were completed (\$17.056 million). In addition there are five Facilities Life-Cycle

Investment Program (FLIP) projects under Capital Projects management totaling \$10.3 million. Mr. Kanzaria pointed out the list of potential surplus properties on the last page of the report and provided highlights on some of the major projects currently underway.

The Committee was updated on Fire Station 16, West County Clinic, West County Jail, Office of Emergency Services, and County Administration buildings. Mr. Angstadt informed the Committee that contracts would be signed today for the OES and CAO buildings. There were no questions.

AYE: Chair Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair John Gioia

Passed

5. CONSIDER report and request by the Director of Emergency Medical Services on EMS System Funding Recommendations.

Pat Frost, Director of Emergency Medical Services, provided an update to the October 23, 2017 report to consider an increase in the basic assessment rate for County Service Area Em-1. The report identified system needs of \$750,000 and requested bridge funding until a permanent source of funding can be established. Supervisor Mitchoff asked County Counsel representative Linda Wilcox to opine regarding Measure H funding restrictions/changes. Ms. Wilcox informed the Committee that the law regarding county service areas changed in 2009 and significantly removed authority/restricted assessments.

The Committee discussed the financial needs of the system and possible State legislation to address the need; however, they were informed by Ms. Frost that a State-wide solution might prove to be difficult as not all other agencies work as well together as in Contra Costa. The Committee discussed the pursuit of a Special Tax for EMS and potentially other health related programs. Ultimately, the Committee decided to recommend an on-going referral to Finance to begin working on the two year process to put a Special Tax on the June 2020 ballot. Staff was directed to forward a report to the Board to recommend exploration of a ballot measure for a Special Tax to support EMS and other health related issues and to direct the County Administrator to develop a plan to bring back to the Committee by the end of 2018.

The Committee next moved to address some of the current financial gaps in the system. The Committee reviewed the summary list of funding requests and agreed to recommend gap-funding from General Fund Reserves for 1) First Watch/First Pass Patient Safety and EMS Ambulance Compliance Data System (\$200,000); ImageTrend technology platform (\$50,000); Bi-directional Prehospital Exchange with Hospital grant match (\$250,000 if grant is successful); ReddiNet EMS System emergency and disaster communication platforms (\$43,000); and Cardiac Arrest Registry for Enhanced Survival (\$7,000).

AYE: Chair Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair John Gioia

Passed

6. DIRECT the Public Defender's Office to report back to the Finance Committee to keep the Board of Supervisors informed about this exciting and quickly developing opportunity to obtain state funding.

This item was pulled from the agenda as sufficient information regarding the grant opportunity is not yet available to support a decision. Staff was directed to bring the request to apply for the grant directly to the full Board of Supervisors once it is ready. Public Comment from Daniel Safran in support of the grant application was read into the record.

7. The next meeting is currently scheduled for April 23, 2018.

8. Adjourn

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