



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: David Twa, Redevelopment Agency Executive Director
Date: October 20, 2015

Subject: ALLOCATION OF BACK-PAID STATE SB 90 REIMBURSEMENT TO CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT FOR STUDY OF COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY AGGREGATION

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE Appropriations and Revenue Adjustment No. 5007 authorizing new revenue in General County Revenue (Dept 0005) in the amount of \$25,000 from back-paid State SB 90 mandate reimbursement and appropriating it to the Conservation and Development Department (DCD) (Dept 0591) for the study of Community Choice Energy Aggregation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The recommended action will increase budgeted general County revenue and expenditures each by \$25,000 for a net fiscal impact of zero.

BACKGROUND:

On August 18, 2015, the Board of Supervisors referred to the Internal Operations Committee (IOC) the topic of Community Choice Aggregation. Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) is the practice of aggregating consumer electricity demand within a jurisdiction or region for purposes of procuring energy. The existing energy utility remains responsible for transmission and distribution. The most common reason for jurisdictions pursuing CCA is to promote electricity generation from renewable energy sources and offer consumers choice in purchasing electricity with potential opportunities for cost savings.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **10/20/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: October 20, 2015

, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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The IOC took up CCA at its regular September 14 meeting and on October 13, recommended to the Board of Supervisors that outreach be conducted to Contra Costa cities and neighboring counties to gauge their interest in

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

>partnering with Contra Costa County to implement CCA. The Board directed the Conservation and Development Department (DCD) to conduct this outreach and examine the following three CCA options:

- forming a CCA partnership among the cities and the County, representing the unincorporated areas;
- partnering with Alameda County (and its cities) to form a CCA program; or
- joining the existing Marin Clean Energy program (which currently provides energy to three Contra Costa cities – Richmond, San Pablo and El Cerrito).

In recognition that the outreach effort will require a substantial amount of staff time, expertise, and experience in field of energy aggregation, the Board agreed to allocate \$25,000 to DCD to engage a consultant to assist with the outreach effort and the study of CCA options. Today's recommended action appropriates the funding to support the Board's directive.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Should the Board elect not to approve the appropriation, the DCD would not have adequate staff resources, expertise or experience with which to engage Contra Costa cities and neighboring counties to explore CCA implementation options and costs.

ATTACHMENTS

APOO 5007: Community Choice Aggregation_Allocation to DCD