



Contra
Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian
Date: April 10, 2018

Subject: Pacific Library Partnership Innovations Grant

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the County Librarian, or designee, to apply for and accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$14,799 from the Pacific Library Partnership Innovation and Technology Grant Program to install and maintain a Power Tower Station for the period November 1, 2017 through October 31, 2018.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No Library Fund match.

BACKGROUND:

Contra Costa County Library will install and maintain one Power Tower station in the main lobby of the Contra Costa Regional Medical Center (CCCRMC) in downtown Martinez. A Power Tower is a combination of a fast charging station for mobile devices and a portal to access the Library's online services. In addition to it being able to simultaneously charge up to 24 devices 30% faster than a regular charging station, it also has a 50 inch interactive touch screen that will promote library services and events, allow users to sign up for library cards and give them access the Library's downloadable collection. Users will be able to download items from the Library's e-collection directly to their device from the Power

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **04/10/2018** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

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

ABSENT: Diane Burgis, District III
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: April 10, 2018

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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cc:

Tower.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

In the Library's current strategic plan, it is stated that Library service does not stop with the physical building. CCCL brings library services wherever residents are and expands reading skills and opportunities to various locations outside of its library buildings. The Library's current strategic plan also calls for a focus on increasing services to the underserved in the County.

The Power Tower will connect thousands of the county's low-income and underserved residents who use the CCCRMC to the Library and its e-collections as well as make them aware of the larger array of services and resources available in physical libraries.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Contra Costa Regional Medical Center (CCRMC) will not have the charging tower installed.