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Board of Supervisors
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**Re: Second Amendment to Joint Powers Agreement Creating the South
Lake Tahoe Recreation Facilities Joint Power Authority**

Honorable Supervisors:

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Board approve the Second Amendment to Joint Powers Agreement Creating the South Lake Tahoe Recreation Facilities Joint Power Authority.

Reasons for Recommendation:

The South Lake Tahoe Recreation Facilities Joint Power Authority is an agency created by the County of El Dorado, the City of South Lake Tahoe, and the Tahoe Paradise Resort Improvement District (TPRID) in about 2000 to finance certain recreational facilities. The JPA formed a Community Facilities District to fund the improvements and the voters approved a special tax to service the bonds and provide additional moneys to accomplish the program (Measure S). The recreational facilities included an ice skating rink, up to four athletic fields on or adjacent to Lake Tahoe Community College, public recreation facilities located on property owned by the Tahoe Paradise Resort Improvement District. It was also allowed that tax revenues could be spent to maintain the athletic fields and TRPID improvements. Measure S also provided that moneys could be spent to maintain new bike trails (built after the passage of Measure S), on the assumption that the guarantee of maintenance funding would enhance the possibility of State grant funding for to construct new bike trails.

State grant funds for construction of new bike lanes has been slow in coming. Substantial bike trails have not yet been funded and are not likely to be funded for several years. As

a result of not having to spend money for maintenance of these unbuilt trails, Measure S revenues have generated a surplus of about \$380,000.00. The surplus is growing at a rate of about \$85,000.00 per year. The JPA has proposed a ballot measure to authorize the excess funds to be used for renovation of youth ball fields, for reconstruction of separated bike trails which were in existence prior to the adoption of Measure S, and for related bicycling activities. A similar measure, limited to reconstruction of the Little League ball field on Rufus Allen Drive, was placed on the ballot in 2009. 62% of the voters voted to approve the measure. However, it needed 2/3 voter approval and therefore it failed. The JPA has now broadened the range of improvements that can be accomplished with the funds.

The JPA agreement contains a list of authorized improvements that corresponds to the permitted uses authorized by Measure S. This Second Amendment is just to expand the list of authorized improvements to incorporate those proposed by the ballot measure. If the ballot measure fails to pass, the JPA will be unable to spend CFD funds on the improvements. There is no change to the special tax proposed by the ballot measure. The City of South Lake Tahoe and the Tahoe Paradise Resort Improvement District have already approved the Second Amendment.

Fiscal Impact:

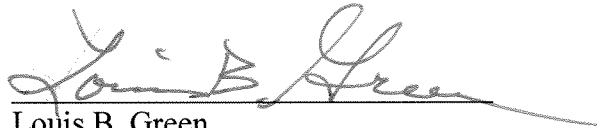
None.

Actions to Be Taken After Approval:

A signed copy of the Second Amendment will be provided to the JPA.

We would be pleased to respond to any questions the Board might have.

Respectfully submitted,


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Cc: John Upton

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