



Legislation Text

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Chief Administrative Office recommending the Board order the Auditor-Controller to disburse \$19,322.79 from the Georgetown Fire Protection District ("District") Impact Mitigation Fee account to the District, or to a District account as designated by the District, for the development of an expanded training facility to increase the level of service to accommodate new development that has occurred within the District.

FUNDING: Development Impact Mitigation Fees.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

The California Mitigation Fee Act (Cal. Gov. §66000 et seq.) provides for the establishment of fees to mitigate the impacts of new development on public facilities in order to maintain the established level of service. Individual Special Districts do not have the authority to establish these fees; as a result, the County establishes fees on behalf of the districts. In accordance with the Mitigation Fee Act, these revenues are segregated and deposited into a separate account for each district. Development impact mitigation fees were first collected on the District's behalf in 1985. The District's fee was last updated in 2017 (Legistar Item #17-0923).

In accordance with the Mitigation Fee Act, these revenues have been placed in a separate account. The District has identified the need to expand their training tower and construct a new exterior training classroom. As identified in the nexus study, expanded fire facilities, apparatus, vehicles, and equipment is needed to meet the additional demand generated by the new residents and new structural area created by development in the district. The total project cost is \$47,950. The district is requesting \$19,322.79 in impact fee revenue be used toward this project.

The County and District have entered into an agreement dated December 19, 2017, whereby the District agrees to "hold County harmless and defend County and its employees, officers, and agents from any claim, liability, or action" resulting from the County's calculation, imposition, and collection of impact fees on the District's behalf (File No. 17-1290).

The Chief Administrative Office recommends the disbursement of funds for the above-described uses because they are consistent with the purpose for which the fee was collected, the District and County are currently in compliance with the Mitigation Fee Act, and the indemnity agreement between the District and the County sufficiently protect the County from potential liability related to the disbursement.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

Georgetown Fire Protection District

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the County's budget. Impact mitigation fees are collected by the County on behalf of the District and held in a separate account. The revenues may only be used by the District for purposes that comply with the Mitigation Fee Act.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

N/A

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