



Legislation Text

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Chief Administrative Office recommending the Board order the Auditor-Controller to disburse \$1,008,700.16 to the El Dorado Hills County Water District (El Dorado Hills Fire Department) from its Development Impact Mitigation Fee Account for facility and equipment due to expansion of development.

FUNDING: Development Impact 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.

On March 20, 2018 (Legistar 18-0232) the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 041-2018 approving the adopting of the districts Nexus Study and development impact fees. The development impact fees were last revised by the County on the District's behalf on November 17, 2020 (Legistar file 20-1411) via Resolution 174-2020.

The disbursement request from the District (attached) totals \$1,008,700.16 for the following purchases:

1. El Dorado Hills Training Facility 2022/23 Construction Payments - \$572,879.62
2. Used 2019 Type II Fire Engine (Replacement Vehicle for District) - \$85,661.25
3. Used 2018 Ram 2500 Command Vehicle (Additional Vehicle for District) - \$51,181.25
4. Used 2020 Ram 550 Fire Equipment Mechanic Vehicle (Additional Vehicle for District) - \$202,567.64
5. Mechanic Lube Trailer (Additional Trailer for District) - \$3,324.64
6. 2022 Ram 2500 Battalion Chief (Replacement Vehicle for District) - \$20,129.73
7. 2022 Ram 2500 Deputy (Replacement Vehicle for District) (Qty 2) - \$58,106.61
8. Used 2018 Ram 3500 Training Captain Truck (Replacement Vehicle for District) - \$14,849.42

Each request is needed in order to expand services based on the demand created by new development. The District's request and link of reasonable relationship to their Nexus Study is attached. In accordance with the District's impact fee nexus study, new equipment and facilities may be funded 100% by impact fees and replacement equipment and facilities may be funded 26.5% by impact fees.

The County has entered into an agreement with the District, 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.

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

PRIOR BOARD ACTION

November 17, 2020, Legistar 20-1411, Board approved impact fee increase.

March 20, 2018, Legistar 18-0232, Board Approved adoption of Nexus Study and development impact fees.

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the County. Impact mitigation fees are collected by the County on behalf of the district and held in a separate account. The District's account balance as of March 19, 2024 is \$5,050,659.11.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

N/A

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