

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO Inter-Departmental Correspondence

County Manager's Office

DATE: October 16, 2003

BOARD MEETING DATE: October 28, 2003

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Paul Scannell, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Appropriation Transfer Request (ATR) to Provide Interim Funding for the San Mateo County Youth Services Center

Recommendation

Approve an ATR transferring \$2 million from Reserves to Other Financing Uses in Non-Departmental Services and making corresponding appropriation in Other Financing Sources and Fixed Assets accounts in the Capital Projects Fund to provide interim funding for the Youth Services Center Project.

Background

On April 30, 2002, by Resolution No. 65205, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Assistant County Manager to initiate a selection process for a qualified construction management firm for the design and construction of the Youth Services Center. On October 22, 2002, by Resolution No. 62620, the Board authorized the Assistant County Manager to execute an Agreement for project management, design and construction management services with Turner Construction Company.

The County intends on financing the project with the sale of Lease Revenue Bonds. The issuance of the bonds can not occur until the final construction documents are completed and the environmental approvals have been received. In the interim, the County (\$5 million) and the Court (\$250,000) have provided \$5.25 million for the programmatic, schematic and design phases of the project.

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The County has secured a grant award of \$21.1 million from the Federal Department of Justice to help defray the cost of this project. However, to qualify for the grant award, the project must be completed by 2006. As a result, it is imperative that the project continues to move forward. This ATR will provide the necessary funding to bridge the gap in funding project costs until proceeds from the sale of bonds are available. It is now anticipated that the bonds will be issued in early November 2003.

Vision Alignment

The ATR keeps the commitment of ensuring basic health and safety for all and goal numbers 6, 7 and 8: Children remain healthy in safe and supportive homes, maintain the public safety of residents and helping vulnerable people, specifically at risk youth, by ensuring that the construction of the new Youth Services Center moves forward in a timely and efficient manner.

Fiscal Impact

Funds provided now will be repaid to the County General Fund from bond proceeds.

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