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Board Report

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- a. Approve the use of Toro Park, Sycamore Picnic Area on May 28, 2018 for a religious function held by the Iglesia Cristiana Monte Horeb subject to approval of all required County permits and in compliance with Monterey County Code Section 14.12.130(A)(14); and
- b. Find that leasing a picnic area at an existing County park for a one-time event is Categorically Exempt pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY:

Iglesia Cristiana Monte Horeb has reserved the Sycamore area for May 28, 2018 at Toro Park and will have a picnic and church service. This event is estimated to include 20 to 40 people. The picnic rental agreement includes vehicle entrance for 15 vehicles. Each additional vehicle entrance will be a fee of \$8.00 per vehicle, which will be charge upon arrival on each vehicle. Pursuant to Monterey County Code Section 14.12.130(A)(14), all political rallies, religious services, and any fundraising activities must have prior approval from the Board of Supervisors. Portable restrooms and security guards not are required for this event.

Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines identifies existing facilities as a Class 1 Categorical Exemption. Class 1 includes leasing existing public facilities. Religious facilities require a use permit and would be subject to CEQA. However, staff finds that leasing the picnic area at an existing park for a one-time event is allowed under Section 14.12.130 of the Monterey County Code and qualifies for a Class 1 Categorical Exemption.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The recommended action has been reviewed by County Counsel. Counsel supports the recommended action. Applications for the Event Organizer and Temporary Food Facility (TFF) permits were not provided as this event is privately catered and does not require food permits. Food vendor permits are monitored and enforced by the Environmental Health Bureau (EHB).

FINANCING:

The standard day use and reservation fees approved by the Board of Supervisors for all age groups are in effect for this event. The Resource Management Agency will receive \$204.00 for use of the Sycamore Picnic Area at Toro Park.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

County Parks provide a public service to all groups to enjoy natural settings. The recommended action implements policies and regulations for religious groups in County Parks.

- Economic Development
- Administration
- Health & Human Services
- Infrastructure
- Public Safety

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Attachments:

Attachment A - Facility Use Agreement
(Attachment on file with the Clerk of the Board)