MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING: July 21, 2009 – Set Matter	**AGENDA NO.:** S-5
SUBJECT: Open a noticed public hearing and continue to August 25, 2009 to approve a resolution to: a. Determine that federal Citizen Participation requirements have been met; b. Approve submittal of a 2009 Economic Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Planning Technical Assistance (PTA) Grant Application for up to $70,000 from the California Department of Housing and Community Development in support of a business expansion plan for the Firestone Business Park; c. Authorize the County Administrative Officer to sign the Statement of Assurances for the Grant Application; d. Authorize the Redevelopment and Housing Director to make minor revisions to the Grant Application to meet State requirements, execute the Grant Application, execute all grant related documents and amendments including the Grant Agreement, and act on the County's behalf in all matters pertaining to this application; e. Authorize the Director of the Redevelopment and Housing Office to act as the Certifying Officer, under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related environmental regulations, for the State Community Development Block Grant Program; and, f. Approve a local cash match contribution in the amount of $20,000.	
DEPARTMENT: Redevelopment and Housing Office	

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors open a noticed public hearing and continue to August 25, 2009 to approve a resolution to:

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b. Approve submittal of a 2009 Economic Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Planning Technical Assistance (PTA) Grant Application for up to $70,000 from the California Department of Housing and Community Development in support of a business expansion plan for the Firestone Business Park;

c. Authorize the County Administrative Officer to sign the Statement of Assurances for the Grant Application;

d. Authorize the Redevelopment and Housing Director to make minor revisions to the Grant Application to meet State requirements, execute the Grant   Application, execute all grant related documents and amendments including the Grant Agreement, and act on the County's behalf in all matters pertaining to this application;

e. Authorize the Director of the Redevelopment and Housing Office to act as the Certifying Officer, under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related environmental regulations, for the State Community Development Block Grant Program; and,

f. Approve a local cash match contribution in the amount of $20,000.

SUMMARY:

On June 25, 2009, the State of California issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) under the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) for Planning and Technical Assistance (PTA) grants. Jurisdictions can apply for up to $70,000 under the Economic Development PTA Allocation. The Redevelopment and Housing Office will be preparing a grant application for $70,000 to support a business expansion project for the Firestone Business

Park. The recommended continuance will provide additional time to prepare the grant application.

DISCUSSION:

The anticipated CDBG PTA grant application would provide funding to prepare economic, financial and infrastructure analyses to support a focused expansion of the existing Firestone Business Park, located south of the City of Salinas. The Redevelopment and Housing Office is currently working in collaboration with the property owner to prepare the grant application.
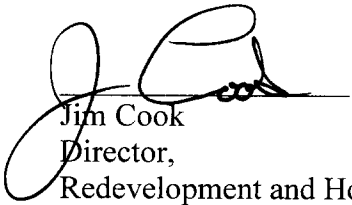
OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Redevelopment and Housing Office is collaborating with the Intergovernmental and Legislative Affairs Office to carry out this project.

FINANCING:

The recommended action is a continuance of a noticed public hearing. There is no impact on the General Fund.

Approved by: Approved by:

Jim Cook   Nick Chiulos
Director,   Director,
Redevelopment and Housing   Intergovernmental and Legislative Affairs

Attachments: None.