



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
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Board Report

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Receive a presentation from Economic Development Manager regarding Joby Aviation retention efforts.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

Receive a presentation from Economic Development Manager regarding Joby Aviation retention efforts.

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

The County of Monterey has worked closely with Joby for several years and has provided support through various departments. Joby Aviation issued a request for proposals (RFP) for a competitive site selection for a 600,000+ square foot aircraft production and testing facility in December 2022. Several local partners (California State University Monterey Bay, City of Marina, County of Monterey Economic Development, County of Monterey Workforce Development Board, Monterey Bay Drone Automation & Robotic Technologies, Monterey Bay Economic Partnership, University of California Santa Cruz) came together to form a working group to respond to the Joby RFP. The group setup weekly meetings to discuss programs and incentives applicable to Joby. The group submitted a response to the RFP at Joby headquarters in Santa Cruz on March 3, 2023.

On March 8, 2023, economic development provided a quarterly recap of activities for FY22-23 Q2 to the Economic Development Committee, which included a brief overview of the Joby Aviation request for proposals. Jonathan Brown, representing the labor industry for the Economic Development Committee made a motion to draft a letter of support to Joby Aviation. Following this motion Luis Alejo, Vice Chair of the Economic Development Committee requested that the working group make a presentation to the Board of Supervisors at an upcoming Board Meeting.

The presentation attached is a summary of the RFP response to Joby Aviation.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Staff has consulted with County Counsel.

FINANCING:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this presentation.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Receiving this presentation supports the Board approved strategic initiatives.

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Attachments:
Board Report
PowerPoint
Attachment A