



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
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Board Report

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Approve and authorize the Resource Management Agency Director to execute a Grant Deed conveying a 10-acre portion of County owned property (Assessor's Parcel Number 003-851-027) located at 855 East Laurel Drive in Salinas, California, commonly known as the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Site and Veterans Park, to the City of Salinas.

RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

In November 1994, the Board approved Agreement A-06719 with the City of Salinas and the Monterey County Vietnam Veterans Memorial Committee (1994 Agreement) for the use of approximately 34.5 acres of vacant, unimproved County property located east of Constitution Boulevard for development of a City Sports Field Complex and establishing a Vietnam Veterans Memorial site and Veterans Park (Veterans Memorial Site & Park). The 1994 Agreement was subsequently amended on January 23, 2001 to provide a coterminous access easement for purpose of developing a multilane access drive from Constitution Boulevard to the City Sports Field Complex, and on December 11, 2001 to provide a permanent access easement for the City's Gabilan/Natividad Creek Bike Trail. The Veterans Memorial Site and Park was completed by the City in July 2002, is approximately 10 acres, and is a portion of the County's 101-acre East Laurel Yard Facility, identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 003-851-027.

On March 21, 2017, the Board adopted Resolution 17-090 supporting the future placement of a Vietnam War era helicopter at the Memorial site. At the City's request, and to help facilitate the Memorial Committee's helicopter project, the Veterans Memorial Site and Park is to be conveyed to the City, along with a permanent access easement, as stipulated under paragraph 3.2 (Conveyance of Vietnam Veterans Memorial Site and Veterans Park) of the 1994 Agreement.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The City of Salinas and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Committee concur with the Grant Deed and County Counsel has approved them as to form.

FINANCING:

There is no cost to the General Fund for the execution of the Grant Deed. It is anticipated that the installation of the Vietnam War era helicopter will be funded by donations and grants from service and other philanthropic organizations.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This action correlates to the Health & Human Services Strategic Initiative adopted by the Board of Supervisors by supporting a local park in memorial to Vietnam Veterans.

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

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Attachments:

Attachment A - Grant Deed

Attachment B - 1994 Lease Agreement (A-06719) with the City of Salinas & VVMC

Attachment C - Amendment 1 for Sports Complex Multilane Access Easement

Attachment D - Amendment 2 for Gabilan/Natividad Creek Bike Trail Access Easement

Attachment E - Resolution 17-090 regarding Vietnam War Era Helicopter

Attachment F - Location Map

(Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board)