

County of Monterey

Item No.

Board of Supervisors Chambers 168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor Salinas, CA 93901

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Board Report

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a. Approve and authorize the Registrar of Voters to execute all necessary documents required to be awarded the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) federal election security funds, including but not limited to, executing Agreement 24G27127 with the Secretary of State's office to claim grant reimbursement through June 30, 2026, with the total amount not to exceed \$15,789 for election security; and b. Authorize the Registrar of Voters to execute future amendments to Agreement 24G27127.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Secretary of State received state and federal HAVA funding to be used for election security. The Federal Election Security contract permits the Department to request reimbursement through June 30, 2026, for a total amount of \$15,789 for items and activities to enhance election technology and to improve election security.

Grant funds may be spent on various components of election security such as cybersecurity, physical security, and staff training.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The requested Agreement has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

FINANCING:

There will be no cost to the County General Fund associated with this recommendation. The Department plans to incorporate grant related expenditures and offsetting reimbursement revenues into current FY 2024-2025 of \$15,789.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This item is in line with the Board's vision for providing efficient service and cost neutral administration.

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

__Economic Development
__X_Administration
__Health & Human Services
__Infrastructure
__Public Safety

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Attachments:

Exhibit A - Agreement 24G27127