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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: John Tuteur - Registrar of Voters
Elections

REPORT BY: John Tuteur, Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk - 253-4459

SUBJECT: Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk Requests Approval of a Resolution; a Revenue Agreement with the California Secretary of State and a voting equipment contract with Dominion Voting Systems for implementing Voters Choice Act

RECOMMENDATION

Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk requests the following:

1. Adoption of a resolution authorizing a revenue agreement with the California Secretary of State under the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) for additional voting equipment and reimbursement of mandatory outreach mailings;
2. Approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign a revenue agreement with the California Secretary of State for Federal funds in the amount of \$116,335 valid through December 30, 2020 and \$15,000 in state funds valid through June 30, 2020; and
3. Approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign a contract with Dominion Voting Systems in the amount of \$139,000 for additional voting equipment.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Napa County is eligible as one of fifteen Voter's Choice Act (VCA) counties to enter into a revenue agreement with the California Secretary of State related to implementation of the VCA for the March 3, 2020 and November 3, 2020 elections.

The Board is also being asked to approve the contract for additional voting equipment not to exceed \$139,000. The County is eligible for an additional 75% reimbursement of the balance of approximately \$22,000 between the voting equipment contract amount and the HAVA funding.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Using Federal and state funding sources, there will be approximately 4% of net county cost for \$139,000 of additional voting equipment. State funding will offset approximately 62.5% of the total cost of the mandatory outreach mailing to all registered voters.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	Yes
Future fiscal impact:	There is no commitment for additional programs beyond the grant funding.
Consequences if not approved:	Napa County will not receive reimbursement for costs of implementing the Voter's Choice Act.
County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:	Effective and Open Government Collaborative and Engaged Community
Additional Information:	

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: General Rule. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the proposed action may have a significant effect on the environment and therefore CEQA is not applicable. [See Guidelines For the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, 14 CCR 15061(b)(3)].

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Napa County is eligible as one of fifteen Voter's Choice Act (VCA) counties to enter into a revenue agreement with the California Secretary of State related to implementation of the VCA for the March 3, 2020 and November 3, 2020 elections. The agreement requires a resolution authorizing the application for the funds.

The agreement is for a total of \$131,335.00 (One hundred thirty-one thousand Three hundred Thirty Five dollars) funded by the Federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 related to implementing VCA \$116,335.00 and \$15,000.00 of state funding to support outreach on the VCA. The Federal funds will be used for additional voting equipment to accommodate a new vote center and to prepare for the higher turnouts of a Presidential Primary and Presidential General election. The State funds will reimburse a portion of the cost for two, mandatory, pre-election mailings to all registered voters.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Resolution approving funding from Secretary of State

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi