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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 28, 2020

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Mali Dyck, Assistant County Executive Officer**

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the County Executive Officer to negotiate and sign a Memorandum of Understandings with the Town of Truckee, City of Grass Valley, and City of Nevada City to support municipal police services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, as approved in the County of Nevada COVID Relief Fund Expenditure Plan.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the resolution authorizing the County Executive Officer to negotiate and sign memorandum of understandings with the Town of Truckee, City of Grass Valley, and City of Nevada City for municipal police services related to COVID-19 response.

FUNDING: Per Resolution 20-319, the Board of Supervisors approved the County's Coronavirus Relief Fund Expenditure Plan which included allocating \$250,000-\$500,000 to municipal police departments. MOU negotiated funds for all jurisdictions combined will not exceed this authorized amount.

BACKGROUND:

On March 10, 2020 the Board of Supervisors approved Resolution 20-062 proclaiming a local emergency in Nevada County due to rapid spread of COVID-19 and its threat to Nevada County. On March 19, 2020, the Governor of California issued a statewide order requiring all Californians to remain in at their home or place of residence, except as necessary to carry out essential activities.

In response to the COVID-19 public health and economic crisis throughout the country, the federal government enacted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") on March 27, 2020. The CARES Act included a \$2 trillion-dollar economic relief package with approximately \$150 billion dollars of Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) monies directed at States, local governments, and tribal entities for economic and disaster relief. On June 29, 2020, the Governor of California signed into law the Budget Act of 2020, which allocated an additional \$1.3



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billion of State CRF monies, including \$10 million allocated to Nevada County to be distributed over six months, in equal installments. In addition to allocations to counties, cities were provided separate allocations, including approximate amounts of \$50,000 to the City of Nevada City, \$159,000 to the City of Grass Valley, and \$200,000 to the Town of Truckee.

As a requirement of receiving funds, on June 30, 2020 the County Chief Executive Officers designee completed the Certification for Receipt of Funds pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Control Section 11.90 of the Budget Act of 2020 including that CRF funds would be expended following certain State and Federal requirements. The certification requirements include those stated in the Budget Act that CRF monies be used to cover only those costs that (1) are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19; (2) were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020, for the State or local government; and (3) were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020. Also required as condition of receipt of funds are: adherence to federal and state health guidance and orders; use of funds as stated in Control Section 11.90 of the Budget Act of 2020; submission to the State of various reports on expenditures and return of unspent funds; and retention of records to support eligible expenses.

On July 14, 2020 the Nevada County Board of Supervisors passed and adopted Resolution 20-319, approving the County's CRF Expenditure plan which included allocating \$250,000-\$500,000 to municipal police departments. This funding for the municipal police departments within Nevada County, in coordination with the Nevada County Sheriff's Office, is intended to create enhanced collaborative alignment to assist in complying with state health orders and other state and federal funding requirements, consistent with the Certification requirements under the Budget Act of 2020, outlined above.

MOU language has been drafted and is under review by County Counsel and the City and Town attorneys. The final funding amount for each City and Town is under negotiation and will not exceed the total allocated amount approved by the Board of Supervisors on July 14, 2020. With the Board's approval of this Resolution, the CEO will finalize and sign the MOUs with the Cities and Town as soon as possible in order to expend the funds by the deadline of December 30, 2020.

Approved by: Alison Lehman, County Executive Officer