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TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Senate Bill 863 (Adult Local Criminal Justice Facilities Construction Program): San Francisco County Relinquishment Conditional Awards to Ventura and San Bernardino Counties: **Information Only.**

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Summary

San Francisco County has formally relinquished its Senate Bill (SB) 863 Adult Local Criminal Justice Facilities Construction Financing Program funding conditional award of \$80,000,000. Per the Board's prior action on SB 863, which allowed staff to manage relinquishments without further action by the Board, this agenda item is an informational item acknowledging the Board has accepted this relinquishment and has allocated the funding to the next-ranked projects on the list in the Large County category. Consequently, Ventura County has received \$29,477,000 to augment to a full \$55,137,000 award the partial award of \$25,660,000 it received on November 12, 2015 (attached). San Bernardino County, which was not funded and had requested \$80,000,000 will be offered the remaining \$50,523,000 as a partial conditional award.

Background

On June 20, 2014, Senate Bill 863 (Chapter 37, Statutes of 2014 (SB 863) became law, authorizing up to \$500,000,000 in state lease-revenue bond financing for the acquisition, design and construction of Adult Local Criminal Justice Facilities (ALCJF).

The Board fully allocated this funding at its November 12, 2015 meeting by making conditional awards to 15 counties.

At that meeting the Board made a full award of \$80,000,000 to San Francisco County, which ranked first in the large-sized county category. In the same category the Board granted Ventura County, which ranked fourth, a conditional partial award of \$25,660,000 of the \$55,137,000 it had requested. In addition, staff recommended, and the Board approved that should a county revert its conditional award back to the State, staff would be allowed to offer the funds to the next-ranked county within the same population category.

On January 27, 2016, BSCC staff wrote a letter (attached) to San Francisco County asking whether it intended to immediately move forward with the approved plan. The letter was prompted by reports indicating the Board of Supervisors voted to reject the jail construction plan the BSCC Board had approved and explore other options, such as an out-of-custody mental health treatment facility. The letter asked for a response from the county by the end of February.

On February 29, 2016 the San Francisco Public Works director responded and asked for a reprieve until at least October 2016 to "explore alternatives to jail," as the BOS requested. The

letter stated that the county has formed a community stakeholder working group to study “what facility or facilities may be needed to address the full gamut of issues and concerns regarding mental health and justice systems in San Francisco.”

On March 23, 2016 the County of San Francisco provided formal notice declining the conditional award (attached). Ventura County is the next in rank order for full funding in the Large County category. San Bernardino County is next (fifth on the list) to receive a partial conditional award of 50,523,000.

Recommendation/Action Needed or Information

Information only.

Attachments

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