

CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

TO: Board of Directors

AGENDA NO. **6.E.**

FROM: Jerry Gruber, General Manager

Meeting Date: February 22, 2018 Subject: DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION
OF MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD
MITIGATION PLAN, MITIGATION
ACTIONS, AND INPUT AND DIRECTION
REGARDING SEEKING GRANT
FUNDING

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors review the list of Mitigation Actions in the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, discuss priorities and provide input and direction regarding seeking grant funding.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Hazard Mitigation Grants will require a 25% local cost share. More information regarding the fiscal impacts can be developed once projects have been identified at the stage that the Board approves the filing of a grant application.

DISCUSSION:

On June 22, 2017 the Board of Directors adopted Resolution 29-2017, adopting a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MHMP) for the CCSD and the Cambria Community Healthcare District. We have now been informed that FEMA has approved the MHMP. An approved local hazard mitigation plan is a requirement for seeking grant funding through FEMA.

Section X of the MHMP provides for Mitigation Action Implementation, and includes the prioritization of Mitigation Actions that were identified in the Plan. A copy of Section X is attached for the Board's reference. Mitigation Actions are listed as having ratings of High, Medium and Low. For grant funding purposes, staff has been advised to focus on the Mitigation Actions identified as having a High priority. As a review of the list discloses, many of the Mitigation Actions rated as High are ongoing programs or projects and additional funding will not be necessary. Others, however, will need grant funding in order to be implemented.

Staff has been informed that there are currently grant funding opportunities under FEMA's 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Under the Program, funds are provided for plans and projects that reduce the effects of future natural disasters. These FEMA funds are administered by the Cal OES Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Unit. There is a two-step process for seeking grants under the program. First, a Notice of Interest needs to be filed, which are due by March 15, 2018. Our understanding is that Notices of Interest do not need a great deal of detail, but initiate the process and are then reviewed by FEMA. If accepted, agencies are then given an opportunity to file a formal grant application.

At this time, staff is requesting that the Board review the Mitigation Actions and provide direction regarding which ones the CCSD should file a Notice of Interest for and seek grant funding under FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Attachment: Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, Section X

BOARD ACTION: Date _____ Approved: _____ Denied: _____

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