November 25, 2020 STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

The Minutes of the

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2020, 2:00 PM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NORTH CHAMBER ROOM 310 1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Order of Business

A. REGULAR SESSION – Regular Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisors Greg Cox, Chairman; Jim Desmond, Vice-Chairman; Dianne Jacob; Kristin Gaspar; Nathan Fletcher; also, Andrew Potter, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

(Please note, California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 on March 17, 2020, relating to the convening of public meetings in response to the COVID 19 pandemic. Pursuant to the Executive Order, and to maintain the orderly conduct of the meeting, all members of the Board of Supervisors attended the meeting via teleconference and participated in the meeting to the same extent as if they were present.)

B. Discussion Items

NOTICE: THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE ANY ACTION WITH RESPECT TO THE ITEMS INCLUDED ON THIS AGENDA. RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY COUNTY STAFF DO NOT LIMIT ACTIONS THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOULD NOT RELY UPON THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE BOARD LETTER AS DETERMINATIVE OF THE ACTION THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE ON A PARTICULAR MATTER.

Board of Supervisors' Agenda Items

Category
Financial and
General
Government

Subject

1. SMALL BUSINESS STIMULUS GRANT PROGRAM 2.0:
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR BUSINESSES
IMPACTED BY PURPLE-TIER RESTRICTIONS
[FUNDING SOURCE: AVAILABLE PRIOR YEAR
GENERAL FUND FUND BALANCE]

(4 VOTES)

1. SUBJECT: SMALL BUSINESS STIMULUS GRANT PROGRAM 2.0: EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR BUSINESSES IMPACTED BY PURPLE-TIER RESTRICTIONS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to spread across the globe, our region continues to be impacted by this unprecedented health emergency. As of this writing, there have been 72,815 positive cases and 968 deaths in San Diego County.

Given the current number of cases in our region, the County is now in the purple tier on the State of California's COVID-19 *Blueprint for a Safer Economy*, causing certain businesses to have to close once more in an attempt to limit the spread of the virus. Understanding that businesses adversely affected by the purple-tier may be disproportionately impacted in their ability to remain in operation, and acknowledging that many may have to shutter permanently, we bring this proposal forward to provide immediate relief to these businesses.

On May 19, 2020 (28), August 4 (3), and October 13 (13), the Board approved a total of \$27.5 million of CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund funds for economic stimulus grants for restaurants and small businesses. In that same spirit, we request Board approval for an additional \$20 million to assist businesses most impacted by the State's highest tier restrictions.

As members of the Board of Supervisors COVID-19 subcommittee, we urge your support.

RECOMMENDATION(S) CHAIRMAN GREG COX AND SUPERVISOR NATHAN FLETCHER

- 1. Approve the amended San Diego County Small Business Stimulus Grant Fund Program and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute grant agreements with qualifying business selected by each Supervisorial District Office (totaling up to \$4 million per District), disburse checks and take any other actions necessary to administer the program.
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to establish appropriations of \$20,000,000 in Finance Other Countywide General Expense, Other Charges, for the Small Business Stimulus Program based on available prior year General Fund fund balance. (4 VOTES)
- 3. Direct that any additional Federal or State stimulus funding, such as CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund allocations, received by the County of San Diego during Fiscal Year 2020-21, be prioritized for replacement of General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance used for this program as a funding source, provided that such use adheres to Federal and/or State guidance published for the referenced stimulus funding and that any unused portion of existing CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund allocations received by the County of San Diego be prioritized for replacement of General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance as a funding source used for this initiative.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan in Finance Other - Countywide General Expense. If approved, this request will result in costs of \$20,000,000.

The funding source is available prior year General Fund fund balance. There will be no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

This action will help support individuals, families and small businesses impacted by COVID-19.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Cox, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, and amended Attachment A - San Diego County Small Business Stimulus Grant Fund Guidelines to include the event industry as an eligible business.

AYES:

Cox, Jacob, Gaspar, Fletcher, Desmond

The Board adjourned the special meeting at 2:20 p.m.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Diego, State of California

Consent: Santiago Discussion: Zurita

NOTE: This Statement of Proceedings sets forth all actions taken by the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors on the matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.

Approved by the Board of Supervisors, on Tuesday, December 8, 2020.

GREG COX Chairman

Attest:

11/25/20 Board of Supervisors Special Meeting

Clerk of the Board