

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Chief Executive Office

BOARD AGENDA # *B-3

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE March 18, 2008

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Reschedule the Final Crows Landing Development Project Report until after a Decision has been made by the California Transportation Commission regarding State Infrastructure Bond Funding Allocations

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Acknowledge the request from the City of Patterson to postpone the final Crows Landing Development Project Report until after a decision has been made by the California Transportation Commission regarding State Infrastructure Bond funding allocations; and
2. Authorize staff to reschedule the final Crows Landing Development Project Report.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Postponing the final quarter report on the exclusive negotiation with West Park has no direct or indirect fiscal impact.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2008-169

On motion of Supervisor Monteith, Seconded by Supervisor DeMartini
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Grover, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman Mayfield

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST: Christine Ferraro
CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

Approval to Reschedule the Final Crows Landing Development Project Report until after a Decision has been made by the California Transportation Commission regarding State Infrastructure Bond Funding Allocations

DISCUSSION:

In February 2007, West Park, LLC was identified through a Request for Qualifications/Proposal process as a potential developer candidate for the former Crows Landing Air Facility on the west side of Stanislaus County.

The Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors agreed to an approximate one-year exclusive negotiation with West Park in anticipation that State Infrastructure Bond allocations (a process identified as critical to the short haul rail component of the West Park project description) would have been completed.

The development of the funding and application guidelines for the State Bond allocations was delayed. The State I Bond process has righted itself over the course of these past several months and the California Transportation Commission (CTC) is aligned to make key funding recommendations on or about April 10th 2008.

Currently the fourth quarter status report and final project presentation by the West Park development team is scheduled for Tuesday April 8, 2008 - just days before the important CTC final project hearing.

On March 6 the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors received a letter from the City of Patterson requesting a reschedule. In the letter from Mayor Campo she suggests that the Board move the April 8 final presentation until after the CTC decision regarding I Bond project funding so that the Board has the very best understanding of how State Infrastructure Bond dollars may or may not play a part of the West Park proposal.

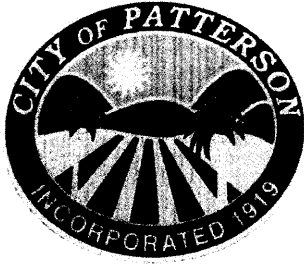
County staff have been monitoring the CTC process and recommends that in light of the pending April 9th and 10th Commission meetings that the April 8 project description and quarter four final report be rescheduled until after the California Transportation Commission has made their final funding allocation recommendations.

POLICY ISSUES:

The Board should consider whether moving the fourth quarter project report is consistent with the stated Board objectives of effective partnerships and strong local economy.

STAFFING ISSUES:

There are no staffing issues related to this item.



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March 5, 2008

Mr. Tom Mayfield, Chairman
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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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Dear Chairman Mayfield:

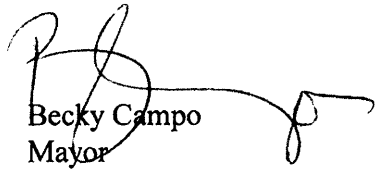
For the past year the City and County have debated and disagreed on the appropriate development for the Crows Landing Airbase. It is our understanding that the Board of Supervisors will make a decision on that project and the appropriate developer on April 8, 2008. It is also our understanding that the California Transportation Commission will award bond funding to various projects on or about April 10, 2008.

The outcome of the CTC Bond Funding Awards will have an impact on the viability of the project as it is currently proposed. Due to that fact, it would appear that any decision to award the project prior to the CTC decision would be premature. This would not preclude the Board from awarding the project as currently proposed. However it should weigh heavily on the Board Decision.

Based on this information the Patterson City Council respectfully requests that any decision to approve this project be delayed until after a decision has been made by the California Transportation Commission. We appreciate your consideration.

If you would like to discuss this issue further please let me know.

Sincerely,



Becky Campo
Mayor

cc: Board Members
Richard Robinson, CEO