

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS

ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Parks and Recreation

BOARD AGENDA # \*B-12

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE October 20, 2009

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES  NO

4/5 Vote Required YES  NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Approval for Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives to have Exclusive Use of the Courthouse Lawn on Sunday, November 1, 2009 for their Support of Public Health Insurance Options Event

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1) Approve the request from the Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives to have exclusive use of the Courthouse Lawn on Sunday, November 1, 2009, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for their support of the Public Health Insurance Options Event.
- 2) Direct the Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives to adhere to the requirements set forth by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

If approved, \$100 in exclusive use and reservation fees will be assessed to the Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2009-703

On motion of Supervisor Monteith, Seconded by Supervisor O'Brien

and approved by the following vote,

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

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:

Christine Ferraro

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

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**DISCUSSION:**

A request has been received by Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives to have exclusive use of the Courthouse Lawn on Sunday, November 1, 2009, beginning at 1:00 p.m. and ending no later than 5:00 p.m. for their Support of Public Health Insurance Options Event.

The Courthouse Lawn serves as an essential community open-space area within the downtown corridor of the city of Modesto and is highly valued as making the community a better place to live.

The Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives is a grass roots movement conceived and organized by constituents in the community working towards a common cause of supporting a strong public health insurance option in the current legislation being considered at the federal level. It was also established to educate the public about non-partisan health care reform currently being discussed. The gathering is designed to educate the community about health care reform discussions taking place at the federal government level.

The Department of Parks and Recreation does not have any objection to this request for exclusive use and as such necessitates Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives to adhere to the following requirements:

- Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives shall work with all other necessary groups, organizations, or other governmental personnel as determined by applicable codes, laws, and regulations to ensure a safe event including but not limited to Sheriff's Office, California Highway Patrol, or City of Modesto Police Department.
- By Wednesday, October 28, 2009, no later than 5:00 p.m. require Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives to provide the Department of Parks and Recreation a Certificate of Insurance with general liability of \$1 million and endorsement naming Stanislaus County as an additional insured.
- By Wednesday, October 28, 2009, no later than 5:00 p.m. require Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives to sign and return the original Hold Harmless Agreement (Organization).
- By Wednesday, October 28, 2009, no later than 5:00 p.m. require Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives to return all other signed original Hold Harmless Agreement (Organization) from organizations involved in the event.
- By Wednesday, October 28, 2009, no later than 5:00 p.m. require the \$90 exclusive use and \$10 reservation fees be paid to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

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**DISCUSSION (Continue):**

- Stanislaus County Patriot Progressives will be responsible for all litter/debris removal from the event area. No litter or debris shall remain in the area upon completion of the event. The area is to be left in a clean condition.
- There is no guarantee of electricity at the facility. Should electricity be needed, all generators are to be placed on a concrete area of the facility and clearly marked.
- The event is expecting a number of 300 persons and is open to the public.
- All portable restrooms are to be placed on concrete or paved surfaces of the facility, not on any grass area and shall be removed on or by Monday, November 2, 2009, no later than 6:00 a.m.
- No alcohol shall be sold, served or consumed during this exclusive use.

**POLICY ISSUE (S):**

The Board should consider whether the approval of this exclusive use request supports the Board of Supervisors' priority of a healthy community. The Department of Parks and Recreation strives to offer diversity of experience with organizations that facilitate community problem solving.

**STAFFING IMPACTS:**

There are no staffing impacts associated with this item.

**CONTACT PERSON:**

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