



Board Agenda Item 27

DATE: May 17, 2022

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: James A. Kus, County Clerk/Registrar of Voters

SUBJECT: Amendment II to State Agreement for Voting System Replacement Grant Funding

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment II to Agreement 19-172 with the State of California for reimbursement funds for replacement of voting systems and related equipment, effective upon execution by the California Department of General Services through December 31, 2024, with no increase in the maximum of \$4,744,657.

Approval of the recommended action will provide State reimbursement funds to defray the costs of voting system components and related expenses. This item is countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

If the Board does not approve the recommended action, the County Clerk/Registrar of Voters will not have access to this source of funding for voting system components and related costs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended action because Help America Vote Act (HAVA) grant funds (Federal program) will be used for the County's required matching of this State Grant funds. The County is required to match funds for eligible expenditures on a 3:1 basis. Appropriations and revenues for this grant are included in the Department's FY 2021-22 County Clerk-Elections Org 2850 Adopted Budget. Any unexpended funds at the current fiscal year end will be re-budgeted in future budget requests.

DISCUSSION:

On April 9, 2019, your Board approved Agreement No. 19-172 (State Agreement No. 18G30110) with the State of California for reimbursement funds for the replacement of voting systems and related equipment.

On December 10, 2019, your board approved Amendment I to Agreement No. 19-172 in which additional State funding was made available to assist with the replacement of voting systems and related equipment. Amendment I increased the County's total award amount to \$4,744,657.

In March 2022 the State of California provided Amendment II to Agreement No. 19-172. Amendment II extends the term of the agreement to December 31, 2024, and indicates that counties may claim reimbursement for eligible expenses and activities that occur after April 29, 2015, and before December 31, 2024. The amendment further indicates that unused remaining funds will be paid out of the State of California FY 21/22 or 22/23 budgets depending on approved funding allocation.

REFERENCE MATERIAL:

BAI #30, April 9, 2019

BAI #29, December 10, 2019

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with Clerk - Amendment II to Agreement

CAO ANALYST:

Raul Guerra