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NATHAN FLETCHER

**SUPERVISOR, FOURTH DISTRICT
SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

AGENDA ITEM

DATE: September 15, 2020

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TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT

**ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION FROM THE SAN DIEGO FIRE-RESCUE
FOUNDATION FOR THE USE OF REGIONAL INTTERRA SOFTWARE BY COUNTY
FIRE (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

For more than 15 years, the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors (Board) has invested more than \$570 million to improve and consolidate fire protection and emergency medical services within the 1.5 million acres of unincorporated San Diego County (County). In 2019, the Board established a Community Risk Reduction Program to encourage community preparedness. That same year, the Board approved the 2020-25 San Diego County Fire Strategic Plan to guide, identify and improve the department's capabilities and services.

The County seeks opportunities to fund fire equipment and apparatus purchases with grants and donations. The San Diego Fire-Rescue Foundation (Fire-Rescue Foundation) was created by former firefighters and dedicated community leaders to help provide resources to support fire and emergency response efforts throughout the region. County Administrative Code Section 66 and Board of Supervisors Policy A-112, Acceptance of Gifts and Donations, permit the acceptance of gifts and donations upon approval by the Board of Supervisors.

This is a request to accept a donation and establish appropriations in the amount of \$100,000 from the Fire-Rescue Foundation provided by the SDG&E SAFE San Diego program. This donation will be used to augment the GIS Solutions Software contract with Intterra, funded by the San Diego County Fire Authority (SDCFA). Intterra software allows fire agencies to access data in one centralized, visual interface that can be used to develop community pre-plans, manage incidents, and share information to protect the residents, property, and environment of San Diego.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR NATHAN FLETCHER

1. In accordance with San Diego County Administrative Code Section 66 and Board Policy A-112, authorize the acceptance of a donation from the San Diego Fire-Rescue Foundation (Fire-Rescue Foundation) to the San Diego County Fire Authority (Fire Authority) in the amount of \$100,000 to augment the existing GIS Solutions Software contract with Intterra.

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2. Authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign a letter of appreciation on behalf of the Board of Supervisors and the County of San Diego to the Fire-Rescue Foundation.
3. Establish appropriations of \$100,000 in Fire Authority, Services & Supplies, to augment the existing GIS Solutions Software contract with Intterra, based on a donation from the San Diego Fire-Rescue Foundation. **(4 VOTES)**

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan for the San Diego County Fire Authority. If approved, this request will establish appropriations of \$100,000 to augment the existing GIS Solutions Software contract with Intterra, based on a donation from the San Diego Fire-Rescue Foundation. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT

N/A

BACKGROUND

Over the past 15 years, the County of San Diego (County) has collaborated closely with internal and external agencies to improve our wildland fire response and emergency preparedness efforts. Today, our region's wildfire preparedness and day-to-day response to fire and medical emergencies in the backcountry are better than ever. Since the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors (Board) approved the formation of the San Diego County Fire Authority (Fire Authority) in 2008, the County has implemented a cooperative approach to provide a greater depth of resources by partnering with CAL FIRE to provide services as one department, County Fire. In the last five years, County Fire has more than doubled in size, increasing the number of first responder personnel, career-staffed fire stations, and the level of services provided to communities.

In response to the effects of a changing climate and threat of year-round wildfires, the Board has prioritized investment in new technology to establish an early fire detection and remote monitoring system and launched initiatives to boost fire safety response and situational awareness capabilities by providing first responders with real-time information during an emergency. These improvements to public safety infrastructure have been augmented by the efforts of a broad coalition of regional partners, including San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) and the San Diego Fire-Rescue Foundation (Fire-Rescue Foundation).

The Fire-Rescue Foundation is a 501(c)(3) public charity that has been a longstanding partner of the County. The Fire-Rescue Foundation is dedicated to supporting regional fire safety efforts throughout the County by working collaboratively to enhance fire response capabilities, which benefits the communities countywide.

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The donation will assist with the cost of implementing the cloud-based visualization software to provide a much-needed common operating picture. Initially, the primary use of Intterra will support the integration of the Regional Public Safety Geodatabase (RPSG) to maintain a directory of community pre-plans for all agencies in the County. Additionally, the software will provide a geospatial interface for the Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) programs used for dispatching and tracking emergency service incidents, allowing the collection of analytics to monitor response times and other related data.

Today's action will authorize the County to accept the donation from the San Diego Fire-Rescue Foundation and establish appropriations of \$100,000 to augment the existing GIS Solutions Software contract with Intterra, and enable the Fire Authority to analyze and monitor incidents and significant events in our operational area, decrease response time, and improve overall firefighting efficiencies

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

Today's proposed action supports the Living Safely Strategic Initiative of the County of San Diego's 2020-2025 Strategic Plan by accepting a donation to be used for the benefit of the San Diego County Fire Authority and its operational partner, CAL FIRE. This will improve the County's fire protection and emergency medical services capabilities through the use of a technology-based information system to provide a decision support platform to first responders, emergency management personnel, situation commanders and others needing timely, graphic, multi-functional depictions of incidents presented alongside related community data.

Respectfully submitted,



NATHAN FLETCHER
Supervisor, Fourth District

ATTACHMENT(S)

Attachment A – Letter of Appreciation to the San Diego Regional Fire Foundation

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES: Yes No

WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION 1000.1 REQUIRED
 Yes No

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

June 4, 2019 (9), Building Wildfire Resilient Communities; March 26, 2019 (4), Acceptance of Donations from the San Diego Regional Fire Foundation, Burn Institute, and EC Constructors; March 12, 2019 (1), Fire Safety Enhancements; May 15, 2018 (1), Acceptance of Donations from San Diego Regional Fire Foundation and San Diego Fire Rescue Foundation; June 20, 2017 (2), Acceptance of Donation from San Diego Regional Fire Foundation; January 16, 2016 (13), Acceptance of Donation from San Diego Regional Fire Foundation

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

A-112 – Acceptance of Gifts and Donations

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

N/A

MANDATORY COMPLIANCE:

N/A

ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):

N/A

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: District 4, Board of Supervisors

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