



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 2/15/2022

File #: 22-146

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Clerk/Recorder

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Adopt Resolution Authorizing the County to Receive Grant Funding Through the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Federal Funds, Agreement No. 21G30106; Establish Dedicated Fund; Supplemental Budget (4/5 Vote Required); and Authorize Clerk Recorder to Execute Necessary Documents

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the attached resolution authorizing the county to receive the sum of \$162,722.68 through federal funds administered by the U.S. Elections Administration Commission (EAC) to assist the County in complying with the requirements of Section 301 of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002.
2. Direct the Auditor-Controller to establish a HAVA 301 Fund pursuant to Exhibit D of the Grant Agreement, No. 21G30106.
3. Adopt the attached supplemental budget for FY 2021-22 in the amount of \$162,722.68 (4/5 vote required).
4. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return a certified copy of the attached resolution to the Office of Elections for further processing and submission to the Secretary of State.
5. Authorize the Clerk Recorder to execute the necessary documents and the attached contract to carry out the purpose of the Board's order.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Federal funds (HAVA funds) administered by the EAC.

DISCUSSION:

HAVA Section 301 funding is to assist the County in, or reimburse the County for, complying with the mandates of HAVA Section 301. Funding may be used for voting equipment for voters with disabilities, cost of voter education with respect to use of the voting systems, costs of election worker training with respect to use of the voting system, cost of vote by mail system equipment upgrades, and to meet the requirements of alternative language access pursuant to the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding provided assists the Office of Elections in compliance with the mandates of HAVA Section 301. Agreement No. 21G30106 requires a dedicated fund be created for this funding. There is no direct impact on the General Fund.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by providing community-appropriate levels of service.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

U.S. Election Assistance Commission
California Secretary of State
Humboldt County Auditor

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose not to approve this grant. This alternative is not recommended as the funds would be redistributed to other counties.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution
Supplemental Budget
Agreement No. 21G30106

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.
Meeting of:
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