



CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MEASURE Z EXPENDITURES

The Advisory Committee meets on each Wednesday in March to review applications and will make recommendations to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors in April.

APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

Agency Name: Fortuna Police Department

Mailing Address: 621 11th Street, Fortuna, Ca 95540

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1. AMOUNT OF MEASURE Z FUNDING REQUESTED FOR FY 2023-2024: \$300,000.00

2. ENTITY TYPE -- Please check appropriate box.

- a. Humboldt County Department
- b. Contract Service Provider to Humboldt County
- c. Local Government Entity
- d. Private Service Provider
- e. Non-Profit Service Provider
- f. Other, Describe: FORTUNA POLICE DEPT.

3. Is this application a renewal or related to a project that has been funded by *Measure Z* in the past?
(check one) Yes No

4. Describe how the scope of your proposal fits the intent of *Measure Z*. Specifically, how will it maintain and improve public safety and essential services, as described on the previous page?

The new police facility will serve as the City's primary emergency response center with operations running 24 hours a day. A brand new communications/dispatch center will also be included as a part of this project. Currently, the Fortuna Police Department's communications center serves four agencies in the Eel River Valley including the Fortuna P.D., Ferndale P.D., Rio Dell P.D., and the Fortuna Fire Department. The current police facility known as the "main station" was commissioned as the Fortuna Police Department in the 1960's to serve a population of 4,000 and was not designed to house a police department of the current size. A new station is required to ensure that the public safety segment of our critical infrastructure can properly deliver police services. The equipment and technology used by post-modern law enforcement organizations is vastly different from the tools and equipment used by police in the 1960's and the new police facility will better equip the Fortuna Police Department to provide quality emergency services to a community that is significantly larger than it was 80 years ago.



5. Please provide a brief description of the proposal for which you are seeking funding.

The City of Fortuna is currently seeking Measure Z funding to complete construction on the new Fortuna Police Department / Facilities project. The City of Fortuna acquired the building and property located at 2600 Newberg Road in 2020, as a potential site for the new police facility. The City has completed the design phase using Whitchurch Engineering, a local engineering firm. The City has also completed the competitive bidding process and has awarded a construction bid to Sequoia Construction, a local construction firm. The new police facility will be utilized as the City's primary emergency response center.

6. How have you developed a plan for sustainability, including diversification of funding sources, for your proposal to carry on without reliance on future *Measure Z* funds?

The City has identified several potential funding sources to fund this project including City of Fortuna American Rescue Plan Act funds, City of Fortuna Measure E Sales Tax funding, City of Fortuna General Fund money, and potentially Measure Z funds from the County of Humboldt. Reliable funding for this project must be identified at the start of the project and no additional funding will be requested from measure Z funds for this project in the future.

7. If this request is for the continuation or expansion of an existing program/service, what is the current source of funding for that program/service?

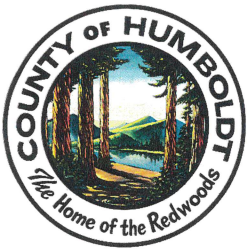
This is not a continuation or expansion of an existing program or service.

8. If you are awarded *Measure Z* funds, how do you plan to leverage these funds to secure additional grants, contributions or community support?

If awarded Measure Z funds, these funds would supplement funds from a number of other sources including City of Fortuna American Rescue Plan Act funds, City of Fortuna Measure E Sales Tax funding, City of Fortuna General Fund money, and City of Fortuna Asset Seizure funds. Although other grants or community support may be sought, no other grant funding sources have been identified at this time.

9. Will this proposal require new or expanded activity on the part of another entity to be fully functional and effective? If so, name that entity and describe what that participation would look like.

No.



10. Are there recurring expenses associated with this application, such as personnel cost? Please check yes or no: Yes No

If you checked yes, detail those expenses here:

Not Applicable (N/A)



REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

Include the following with your application, making sure to **limit your responses to one page, per section**. Responses longer than the maximum, may not be read by committee members or considered as part of your application

Prior Year Results: If your request is a continuation of a program funded with Measure Z in prior fiscal years, please provide the results of implementation. (one page maximum)

Program Budget: Please utilize the template provided on the following pages. This will need to be updated if your agency is approved for funding.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above statements and all attachments are true and correct

DATE: 01/31/2023

SIGNATURE: 

SUBMIT YOUR COMPLETE APPLICATION TO:

Humboldt County Citizens' Advisory Committee on *Measure Z* Expenditures
c/o County Administrative Office
825 Fifth Street, Suite 112
Eureka, CA 95501-1153

CITY OF FORTUNA POLICE: NEWBERG POLICE FACILITIES PROJECT
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Attachment 1 – Proposal Narrative

The current police facility located at 621 11th Street was built in 1967. At that time, the station provided work space for a fraction of what is now a full-service, community oriented police department, with 19 sworn officers, 6 public safety dispatcher, 2 community service officers, and additional professional support staff. The population served at that time (1967) was approximately 4,000. The Fortuna Police Department now provides emergency response services for over 12,000 residents. The City of Fortuna is the fastest growing incorporated city in Humboldt County, and serves as the retail-shopping hub for the greater Eel River Valley serving a much greater population during business hours when shopping and business related matters are at peak levels.

The City of Fortuna acquired the property/building located at 2600 Newberg Road in 2020 and it was identified as the future site of the new police facility. Prior to the acquisition, the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training had conducted a management consultation and organizational audit focused on the facility, facility structure, and property and evidence storage now being used (621 11th Street) and determined that the current facility was not functionally adequate to meet the needs of the department and/or the community. To date, the City of Fortuna has finished a needs assessment and feasibility study, and has finished the design phase utilizing Whitchurch Engineering, a local engineering firm. The City of Fortuna has also finished the competitive bidding process and has awarded the construction contract to Sequoia Construction, a local area construction firm.

The new police facilities project is estimated to cost the City just under \$3,000,000.00. The City has identified several potential funding sources to fund this project including: The City's General Fund, Asset Forfeiture money, City of Fortuna Measure E Sales Tax funding, City of Fortuna American Rescue Plan Act funding, and potentially Measure Z funding from the County of Humboldt. Reliable funding for this project must be identified at the start of the project and no additional funding will be requested from Measure Z for this particular project in the future.

The new police facility will serve as the City's primary emergency response center with operations running 24 hours a day. A brand new communications/dispatch center will also be included as a part of the facility project. Currently, the Fortuna Police Department's communication center serves four agencies in the Eel River Valley, including the Fortuna Police Department, Ferndale Police Department, Rio Dell Police Department, and the Fortuna Volunteer Fire Department. A new station is vital to the City's ability to properly deliver police services to the community. The equipment and technology used by post-modern law enforcement organizations is vastly different from the tools and equipment used by police in the 1960's.

Existing facility shortcomings with the current station include but are not limited to: lack of interview rooms, security concerns with the lobby and front counter area, crowded common areas, lack of confidentiality/privacy in work spaces, lack of access to break rooms, inadequate HVAC, lack of security in the alley east of the station, lack of storage for equipment and supplies, inadequate room for evidence storage, inadequate technology.

The new police facilities project will enable the Fortuna Police Department to provide a better platform of emergency services to the community. A larger facility is a need and not a want which has been proven through POST reviews and architectural studies. To continue operations at the existing facility will negatively affect the departments ability to provide a high level of service and will ultimately result in higher costs and adaptations are explored and implemented.

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Attachment 2 – Prior Year Results

Does not apply (DNA). This is a new project requesting one time funding. There are no prior results for the previous year.

Police Operations Division (POD) Project - FY2023-24 Budget Estimate

	FY 23-24 Budget Amount	Note
Sequoia Construction Contract	\$ 2,920,000	City has committed \$2,000,000 of General Funds for FY 22-23, as of February 6, for the construction contract
PGE	\$ 100,000	
Nylex	\$ 85,000	
Silke Communications	\$ 150,000	
Whitchurch Engineering	\$ 70,000	
Total Cost to Complete Project	\$ 3,325,000	
Amount being requested to supplement	\$ 300,000	
City of Fortuna funds		