

### **COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**

Inter-Departmental Correspondence Office of Sustainability



Date: April 26, 2016

Board Meeting Date: May 10, 2016

Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Jim Eggemeyer, Director of Office of Sustainability

**Subject:** Agreement with the City/County Association of Governments for the San

Mateo County Energy Watch

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing an Agreement with the City/County Association of Governments for management and staffing of the San Mateo County Energy Watch for the term of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 in the amount of \$461,000.

# **BACKGROUND:**

Under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) offers Local Government Partnership (LGP) programs that use public goods funds paid by ratepayers on utility bills to fund energy efficiency projects in the PG&E service areas of the local government's jurisdiction. The City/County Association of Governments (C/CAG) has been the LGP in San Mateo County to PG&E since 2009.

On December 9, 2008, your Board adopted Resolution No. 069826, authorizing the execution of an Agreement with the C/CAG to provide staff services for the newly established San Mateo County Energy Watch (SMCEW) from October 9, 2008 through March 31, 2011 in the amount of \$750,000. The CPUC subsequently amended the program term by establishing 2009 as bridge year, revising the program cycle to be from 2010 through 2012. Your board authorized similar agreements for the 2013 through 2014 and 2015 program cycles by adopting resolution No. 072362 on January 29, 2013 for \$660,000, and resolution No. 073571 on December 9, 2014 for \$450,000 respectively. The program cycles are based on the calendar year. The 2015 Agreement expired on December 31, 2015.

The SMCEW program has consistently met established energy savings goals as set forth by PG&E. The 2015 program cycle energy savings goals for kilowatt hours and peak kilowatts were exceed by 87% and 52% respectively.

## **DISCUSSION:**

C/CAG has executed a LGP contract with PG&E to implement the SMCEW for calendar year 2016 through 2018. The LGP contract was executed on January 20<sup>th</sup> due to protracted negotiations with PG&E and is retroactive to January 1, 2016. The proposed agreement between C/CAG and the County is subsequent to the LGP contract between C/CAG and PG&E, and is also retroactive to January 1, 2016.

This proposed agreement between C/CAG and the County requires County staff to perform work to meet the General and Specific Conditions and Contract Work Authorization (Conditions) of the LGP contract between C/CAG and PG&E. This scope is consistent with previous agreements between C/CAG and the County for staff services to administer the program. Through this agreement, County staff will administer and implement the SMCEW program, including updating the existing program management plan and outreach materials, providing updates to program stakeholders through presentations, providing customer outreach, coordinating energy efficiency projects countywide to achieve energy savings goals, and preparing reports and invoices to PG&E on behalf of C/CAG.

The staffing requirements included in the proposed agreement are similar to those included in the Agreements previously approved by your Board. The amount of the agreement represent approximately a 50% increase from previous calendar years (2013-2014) as a result of negotiations with PG&E for additional staffing for the program to expand services provided.

The agreement is provided as Exhibit A to this staff report, and the 2016 through 2018 Local Government Partnership contract between C/CAG and PG&E (Conditions) is provided as Exhibit B.

## **Performance Measures:**

Measure	FY 2015-16 Projected	FY 2016-17 Projected
San Mateo County Energy		
Watch Program Cost Per	\$0.47	\$0.43
Kilowatt Hour Saved		

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Agreement and Resolution as to form.

## **SHARED VISION 2025:**

Approval of this agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of an Environmentally Conscious Community by reducing indoor and outdoor energy usage at local municipalities, schools, farms, non-profits, and qualifying business and residential customer sites.

FISCAL IMPACT:
There is no impact to the General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:

A. PG&E Contract Conditions