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AGENDA ITEM II

BUSINESS COMMITTEE
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May 1, 2013

The Business Committee of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians ("Tribe") has (1) made the decision to affirmatively sponsor the following grants labeled SPONSORED and (2) has decided that the following applications labeled SPONSORED both have a reasonable relationship to a casino impact and satisfy at least one of the priorities listed in Govt. Code Section 12715(g) (hereinafter (1) and (2) collectively referred to as "Sponsored"), subject to the "Conditions of Sponsorship for both Sponsorship and Non-Sponsorship" contained herein:

TOTAL AVAILABLE GRANT FUNDS: $736,752.40

Additional Background:

It has become apparent that the Tribe is being asked to pay as much for law enforcement and fire protection as the cities of Solvang and Buellton. This year's funding request from the Sheriff exceeds one million dollars which is comparable to the annual contract fee amount paid by the cities of Solvang and Buellton, each of which pays approximately $1.4 million and $1.6 million, respectively.

Historically, the Tribe has fully funded one of the four full-time Deputy Sheriff positions at the Solvang substation in an amount in excess of $700,000 annually. One full-time Deputy position is filled on a 24/7 basis with five actual officers. **That means the Tribe pays for at least one fourth of all law enforcement from Santa Ynez to Solvang.**

In 2011, there were 6,019 calls for service in the Santa Ynez Valley, of those calls, 660 were for the Chumash Casino; that is about 11 percent of total service calls for last year.

In addition, budget pressures annually threaten the fourth firefighter/EMT from Fire Station 32 east of the reservation that serves all of Santa Ynez and east Solvang. While the Chumash Casino maintains a full staff of EMTs, such fourth firefighter/paramedic provides paramedic protection for the residents east of Solvang and Santa Ynez.

Sponsorship:

Decision & Amount	Applicant
Sponsored Amount $515,000 Nexus and Discretionary Grant Sponsorship	**County of Santa Barbara** Firefighter/Paramedic position Michael W. Dyer, Fire Chief Fax: (805) 681-5563
Sponsored Amount $55,000 Discretionary Grant Only	**City of Solvang** Community Resource Deputy Brad Vidro, City Manager Fax: (805) 686-2049
Not Sponsored	**City of Solvang** Traffic Study Along Mission Drive Brad Vidro, City Manager Fax: (805) 686-2049
Not Sponsored	**City of Solvang** Solvang Library Brad Vidro, City Manager Fax: (805) 686-2049
Sponsored Amount $83,376.20 ($117,000 requested)	**City of Buellton** Additional Law Enforcement Services City Manager Fax: (805) 686-0086
Sponsored Amount $83,376.20 ($828,925 requested)	**County of Santa Barbara** 5 Deputy Sheriff positions Sheriff Bill Brown Fax: (805) 686-5010

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Conditions of Sponsorship for both Sponsorship and Non-Sponsorship

1. Tribal sponsorship is not any type of vested property right and can be withdrawn by the Tribe without cause or notice any time prior to approval of the grant by the SBCIGLCBC. Sponsorship in any one year is no guarantee of sponsorship in any future year and the Tribe reserves the right to review Sponsorship applications for each new grant cycle or as permitted or required herein more frequently.

2. **Any legal challenge or any other contesting of any part of this sponsorship letter, including, but not limited to grant sponsored or grant amount sponsored if applicable, shall immediately void all sponsorships contained herein and all other sponsorships by the Tribe to all other grant applications by the same grant applicant whether prior to or after approval of the grants by the SBCIGLCBC regardless of Condition of Sponsorship No. 1 above.** Any sponsorship or non-sponsorship decision is not subject to any appeal to the Tribe, the General Council, Business Committee or otherwise.

3. Nothing herein shall subject the Tribe, General Council, Business Committee or either of their, officers, employees, agents or members to the jurisdiction of the State of California, County of Santa Barbara, or any city/municipality or otherwise constitute an express or implied waiver of the sovereign immunity of the Tribe, General Council, Business Committee, or either of their, officers, employees, agents or members.

4. The Tribe's determination that an application is reasonably related to casino impact(s) is for grant funding purposes only and shall not be construed as any admission by the Tribe.

Sincerely,

Vincent Armenta,
Tribal Chairman