

Legislation Text

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Authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the proposed Letter Agreement submitted by the City of Vacaville to amend the Joint Powers Agreement regarding the operations of Lagoon Valley Park to allow the City of Vacaville to waive the park's parking fee for disabled veterans

 Published Notice Required?
 Yes
 No
 X

 Public Hearing Required?
 Yes
 No
 X

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Resource Management recommends that the Board authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the proposed Letter Agreement submitted by the City of Vacaville to amend the Joint Powers Agreement regarding the operations of Lagoon Valley Park Project to allow the City of Vacaville to waive the park's parking fee for disabled veterans.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

On October 14, 1970 the City of Vacaville and the County entered a Joint Powers Agreement. The Joint Powers Agreement pertained to the ownership, maintenance, and operation of the Lagoon Valley Park Project. Under this agreement, the City acquired title to the property while the County was responsible for development and maintenance of the park.

On June 14, 1994, the City of Vacaville and the County entered an amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement and as part of the amendment, the City of Vacaville agreed to "use its reasonable best efforts to further the development of the park, and [to] keep the [park] facility open to all residents of Solano County on the same basis and at the same cost, if any, for admittance, use of facilities, and the like." The agreement also established that the City would assume all maintenance responsibilities.

On or about October 2018, the City of Vacaville requested that that the County approve another amendment to the Joint Power Agreement, via a letter agreement, to waive the park's parking fee for disabled veterans visiting the park in an appropriately designated vehicle; i.e., disabled veteran license plate issued by the California Department of Motor Vehicles. It was requested that the amendment, if executed, become effective as of the date last entered on the letter agreement submitted by the City of Vacaville.

Staff believes the proposed action is consistent with the agreement and will facilitate use and access to the park by disabled veterans.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The costs associated with preparing the agenda item are nominal and absorbed by the department's FY 2019/20 Adopted Budget.

There are no other specific costs to the County associated with adoption of the letter agreement. The City of Vacaville may see a very minor reduction in fee revenue but should have no impact on the City's ability to manage and improve Lagoon Valley Park

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to adopt the proposal in the letter agreement submitted by the City of Vacaville to amend to the Joint Powers Agreement, but this is not recommended because City of Vacaville has diligently used "its reasonable best effort to further the development of the park…", one of the primary aims of the original Joint Powers Agreement, and adoption of the letter agreement would assist the City of Vacaville in continuing to do so.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel and the CAO's Office have reviewed the letter agreement submitted by City of Vacaville's proposing the amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement and approved it as to form.

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION