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SUPERVISOR, FIFTH DISTRICT
SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

AGENDA ITEM

DATE: September 1, 2021

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT

ESTABLISH THE WARNER SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP (DISTRICT: 5)

OVERVIEW

County planning is more responsive to local needs if there is a high level of citizen participation in the planning process. There are currently 27 local advisory planning and sponsor groups representing the communities of the unincorporated area for the purpose of advising the Director of Planning & Development Services, the Zoning Administrator, the Planning Commission, and the Board of Supervisors (Board) in the preparation, amendment and implementation of community and subregional plans, as well as the review of discretionary regulatory projects. These local advisory groups are governed by Board Policy I-1.

Warner Springs residents have requested that a Community Sponsor Group be formed to better represent the community, which currently lies in unrepresented North Mountain Subregional Planning Area. Today's request directs the Chief Administrative Officer to establish the Warner Springs Community Sponsor Group.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

1. Find that the proposed Board of Supervisors action is not subject to CEQA because it is an organizational or administrative activity of a local government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment and is therefore not a "project" as defined in Public Resources Code section 21065 and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378(b)(5) and 15060(c)(3).

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2. Establish the Warner Springs Community Sponsor Group and determine that the authorized membership of the Warner Springs Sponsor Group shall be a total of nine (9) authorized members.
3. Initially seats 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 shall hold terms expiring the first Monday after January 1, 2025 and seats 2, 4, 6, 8 shall hold terms expiring the first Monday after January 1, 2023. Thereafter the term for all seats shall be four years.
4. Recognize the Warner Springs Sponsor Group Area as the existing Greater Warner Springs area as depicted in the Greater Warner Springs Community Plan.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The establishment of a local sponsor group promotes community inclusion and provides a well needed voice for a specific community's needs.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds to establish the Warner Springs Community Sponsor Group are included in the FY 2021-22 Operational Plan and include \$10,000 of staff time and services and supplies. The funding sources are General Purpose Revenue and discretionary project review fees. On-going costs will be included in future operational plans for the Department of Planning & Development Services. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT

N/A

BACKGROUND

Board Policy I-1 encourages citizen participation through community planning and sponsor groups and provides a uniform process in the preparation, revision, and implementation of community and subregional plans for unincorporated areas of the county. These groups work closely with local community members and staff to help guide the course of growth in their respective planning areas.

There are currently 27 local advisory planning and sponsor groups representing the unincorporated area. The Warner Springs community is not currently represented by a planning or sponsor group as governed by Board Policy I-1.

Today's action will establish the Warner Springs Sponsor Group to encourage local community participation in the planning process and will include the areas of Chihuahua Valley Road, Lake Henshaw, Los Tules, Oak Grove, Sunshine Summit, and Warner Springs Resort, as shown in Attachment A.

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ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

The proposed Board of Supervisors action is not subject to CEQA because it is an organizational or administrative activity of a local government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment and is therefore not a “project” as defined in Public Resources Code section 21065 and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378(b)(5) and 15060(c)(3).

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

Today’s action meets the Thriving Initiative of the County of San Diego Strategic Plan by promoting diverse opportunities for residents to exercise their right to be civically engaged and find solutions to current and future challenges

Respectfully submitted,

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JIM DESMOND
Supervisor, Fifth District

ATTACHMENT(S)

Attachment A – Proposed Warner Springs Community Sponsor Group Boundary

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES: ☐ Yes ☒ No

WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION 1000.1 REQUIRED

☐ Yes ☒ No

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

N/A

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

I-1

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

N/A

MANDATORY COMPLIANCE:

N/A

**ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION
NUMBER(S):**

N/A

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Fifth District, Board of Supervisors

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