

Riverside County
Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee (CBC)

City of Banning Council Chambers
99 East Ramsey Street, Banning

September 27, 2004
3:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Members present: Supervisor Wilson, Chair; Mayor Oden, Vice-Chair; Tribal Alternate, Butch Murphy; Mayor Welch; Supervisor Ashley.

Members absent: Tribal Vice-Chair Lyons; Council Member Roberts; Tribal Council Member Salgado; City Alternate, Council Member Wilson; County Alternate, Supervisor Venable.

I. Call to Order, roll call, and Welcome

Supervisor Wilson called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m., and led the Pledge of Allegiance. CBC staff called the committee's roll.

II. Adoption of Minutes – June 14, 2004

The minutes of the June 14, 2004 meeting were approved as submitted.

III. SB 621 Updates

A. Template for quarterly reporting of project progress

CBC staff explained that SB 621 requires an annual report to the legislature by April 1 of each year detailing the specific projects funded by all grants. To assist in obtaining this information, a draft template for quarterly reporting of project progress was provided to the committee with a staff recommendation that the template be adopted for use by grantees. If adopted today, the first quarter report could be due in the month of October. The committee voted to adopt the quarterly report template.

(The template is accessible on the Riverside-TribalCBC.org website under the heading **Grant Awards, Quarterly Reporting**. Quarterly reports are due to CBC staff on or before October 29, 2004; on or before January 31, 2005; on or before April 29, 2005; and on or before July 29, 2005.)

B. Projected allocation for the next grant cycle

CBC staff reported that on June 10, 2004, the budget conference committee approved the Senate proposal to provide \$30 million from the Special Distribution Fund (SDF) for the support of local government agencies impacted by tribal gaming. This will be the funding provided for 2004-05. In 2003-04, Riverside County received 42% of the available SDF. Using the same formula, approximately \$12.6 million would be available for allocation in the 2004-05 grant cycle.

C. State determination on 20% Non-Nexus, Non-SDF grants

Minh Tran, Deputy County Counsel, provided the State's determination/clarification of the 20% discretionary grants to local jurisdictions impacted by tribes that are not paying into the SDF. They determined that grants would be subject to the sole sponsorship of the tribes paying into the SDF. With tribal input, staff will develop a procedure to enable the non-paying tribes to recommend those projects they feel are most appropriate/needed and forward all of the applications received to the SDF paying tribes for sponsorship.

D. Other

None.

IV. Suggestions to Improve the Process

Suggestions were made to:

- Give tribes the opportunity to review the application tool to ensure that applications include sufficient information to be evaluated;
- Give tribes the opportunity to review the timeline to ensure that deadlines are achievable.

V. Proposed Grant Application Schedule

This item was continued to the next CBC meeting to allow staff time to get input from the tribal governments.

VI. Future Meeting Dates

The next meeting of the Community Benefit Committee will be held on Monday, October 25, 2004, in the Banning City Council Chambers. Subsequent meetings may be held quarterly.

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m. The next meeting will be held on October 25, 2004, at 3:00 p.m., in the Banning City Council Chambers.