April 29, 2014

Board of Supervisors
County of Marin
350 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, California 94903

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO ACCEPT DONATION OF $100,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STAFFORD LAKE BIKE PARK FROM FRIENDS OF STAFFORD LAKE BIKE PARK

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Accept donation of $100,000 from the Friends of Stafford Lake Bike Park.
2. Authorize the President to sign the attached letter of thanks.

SUMMARY:

Friends of Stafford Lake Bike Park (FOSLBP) was formed as a 501 (c) (3) not for profit organization by several cyclists during the process of fundraising for the Stafford Lake Bike Park. Despite the county’s best fundraising efforts, there are fundraising opportunities for such organizations that are not available to government agencies. As the county was entering into sponsorships, some of which were secured with assistance from FOSLBP, FOSLBP was also in the process of soliciting donations for construction of the bike park. They have now accumulated $100,000 and wish to donate this amount to the county for the purpose of constructing Stafford Lake Bike Park Phase I.

Donors to FOSLBP include the Hellman Foundation, the William H. Donnor Family Foundation, Clif Bar Family Foundation, Hennessy Funds, Fireman's Fund, Lagunitas Brewery, Megan Costello & Robyn Raschke, Jim Wilson, RAB Motors, Jeff Smock, Chris Hobbs, and many others. Leaders in FOSLBP who have supported development of Stafford Lake Bike Park from the outset include Julia Violich, Al Baumann and Mark Weir.
This donation will permit additional features to be built during Phase I construction, including the beginner and intermediate portions of the Mike’s Bikes “Skills Progression Zone” and a modified dual slalom.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FOSLBP donation, along with other donations and sponsorships, will permit construction of Stafford Lake Bike Park Phase I to occur without impact to the General Fund.

REVIEWED BY:

[ ] Dept. of Finance     [ X] N/A
[ ] County Counsel       [ X] N/A
[ ] Human Resources      [ X] N/A

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Respectfully submitted,

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