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**SUBJECT: REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE COOPERATIVE OPERATIONS AGREEMENT WITH MARIN CITY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT FOR SHARED OPERATIONS SUPPORT OF GEORGE "ROCKY" GRAHAM PARK**

Dear Board Members:

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the President to execute Cooperative Operations Agreement.

**SUMMARY:**

On July 11, 2015 Marin City Community Services District (Marin City CSD), Marin City community members, and project partners will celebrate the opening of the George "Rocky" Graham Park (Park), a public park centrally located in Marin City. The design and construction of this park is a result of strong community support and participation, project management by the Trust for Public Land, and support from a large number of funders and community partners.

While the construction of the Park was funded, finding funding to operate new parks once they open can be challenging. Marin City CSD has a need for operations support once the Park is open. Marin County Parks does not own or operate park land near the Marin City community and desires to better serve this community with outdoor recreation opportunities. By entering into this agreement, Marin County Parks will take out a lease on the Park, and contribute Measure A (Ordinance 3586 Retail Transactions and Use Tax for Parks, Open Space, and Farmland Preservation) funding toward the following purposes:

- Provide a staff member to support maintenance and upkeep of the Park for up to 30 hours per week, including a vehicle and basic maintenance tools and supplies.
- Provide roughly \$20,000 to Marin City CSD each year to contract for landscape maintenance.

For a second year, Marin City CSD will also receive a Measure A-funded Breathe/Respira Community Grant. This year part of the grant will fund

programming at the Park. Programming will be planned in concert with community input and the creation of a Park Prescriptions program in partnership with Marin City Health and Wellness Center.

The Real Estate Division of the Marin County Department of Public Works assisted Marin County Parks to draft the Agreement.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Sufficient funding exists in the FY 2015-16 Measure A Budget.

**REVIEWED BY:**

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Counsel	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
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Respectfully submitted,



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