May 16, 2017

Board of Supervisors
Marin County Civic Center
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, California 94903

SUBJECT: Marin Economic Forum (MEF) Status Report and approve agreement to provide $150,000 in matching funds to support MEF’s development efforts

Dear Board of Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION: Receive status report and approve agreement

SUMMARY:
Michael Kadel, interim CEO of Marin Economic Forum (MEF) will provide a status report of their efforts over the past year. MEF’s mission is to help inform and guide the Marin economy in a manner that is consistent with the sustainable goals of the Countywide Plan. MEF works to retain and attract targeted industries while enhancing social equity and protecting the environment, providing the public and policymakers with useful Marin County economic data, and coordinating activities that support a sustainable economy.

We are requesting $150,000 in matching funds to support MEF’s program in FY 2016-17. MEF has secured $194,063 in revenue from other sources to meet our matching requirement. The total program budget is $454,017.

FISCAL IMPACT:
Based on previous Board direction, the budget includes $150,000 for matching funds for the Marin Economic Forum. If your Board approves the proposed contract, funds are available for these services in the current year budget.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew H. Hymel
County Administrator