

Agenda Item No. 7

Motion to Modify Tenure Requirements for Planning Grant Applicants in Round Two

Purpose of the Motion

The purpose of this Motion is to request Board consideration to modify the tenure requirement in the California Cultural and Historical Endowment (CCHE) Grant Agreement for Planning Grant Applicants.

In September 2005, the CCHE Board approved grant application criteria allowing eligible applicants to apply for a Planning Grant for the Round Two Grant Cycle. Planning Grants allow eligible applicants the ability to initiate and utilize essential documents to assist them in preparing for their capital assets project. The CCHE Board believes that this opportunity allows eligible applicants to create a strong foundation for greater success of their capital assets project.

Although the Planning Grant Applicants have identified a specific location to be the site of their capital assets project, several applicants have not been able to readily produce documents to satisfy the tenure requirement specified in the CCHE Grant Agreement.

Thus, the Motion is to allow for a modification to allow these applicants to proceed to enter into a Grant Agreement.

Proposed Language of the Motion

Motion to modify the tenure requirement of the CCHE Grant Agreement for Planning Grant applicants if the applicant can demonstrate the following:

1. Applicant has written permission of the property owner to conduct all necessary inspections, site visits, and tests and to occupy the premises for the purpose of implementing the CCHE Grant. The legal permission from the property owner must clearly indicate the specific location of the site; the authorized length of time to conduct the anticipated planning activities, and any restrictions on access, if any. Further, this written document must be reviewed and approved by CCHE staff before the grant agreement is signed.
2. There are no conflicting uses or legal rights that would interfere with the applicant's ability to implement the CCHE grant.
3. Applicant understands that the modification of the tenure requirement is limited to the specific tasks and deliverables that are noted in their Work Plan of the CCHE Planning Grant Agreement.