

February 09, 2021

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

The Minutes of the

***REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS***

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

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COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021, 9:00 AM
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NORTH CHAMBER ROOM 310
1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Order of Business

- A. REGULAR SESSION: Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Supervisors Nathan Fletcher, Chair; Nora Vargas, Vice-Chair; Joel Anderson; Terra Lawson-Remer; Jim Desmond; also, Andrew Potter, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

(Please note, California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 on March 17, 2020, relating to the convening of public meetings in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Pursuant to the Executive Order, and to maintain the orderly conduct of the meeting, all members of the Board of Supervisors attended the meeting via teleconference and participated in the meeting to the same extent as if they were present.)

- B. Invocation was led by Rev Dr. Caleb Lines from University Christian Church.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance was led by students Zochil, Eva and Jessica Gonzalez from The Monarch School.
- D. Presentation or Announcement of Proclamations and Awards:

Chair Nathan Fletcher presented a proclamation declaring February 9, 2021, to be Love Your Wetlands Day throughout the County of San Diego.

Chair Nathan Fletcher presented a proclamation declaring February 9, 2021 to be Go Red for Women Day throughout the County of San Diego.

Vice-Chair Nora Vargas presented a proclamation declaring February 9, 2021 to be Dr. Kindred Murillo Day throughout the County of San Diego.

Supervisor Jim Desmond presented a proclamation declaring February 9, 2021, to be Wounded Warrior Homes Day throughout the County of San Diego.

- E. Non-Agenda Public Communication: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Board on any subject matter within the Board's jurisdiction but not an item on today's agenda.
- F. Approval of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the meeting of January 26, 2021.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors approved the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the meeting of January 26, 2021.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

G. Formation of Consent Calendar

H. Discussion Items

NOTICE: THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE ANY ACTION WITH RESPECT TO THE ITEMS INCLUDED ON THIS AGENDA. RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY COUNTY STAFF DO NOT LIMIT ACTIONS THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOULD NOT RELY UPON THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE BOARD LETTER AS DETERMINATIVE OF THE ACTION THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY TAKE ON A PARTICULAR MATTER.

Board of Supervisors' Agenda Items

| Category | # | Subject |
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| Public Safety | 1. | SHERIFF - AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL CANNABIS TAX FUND GRANT PROGRAM AND TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDING IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS |
| Health and Human Services | 2. | RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE COVID-19 RESPONSE, RATIFY ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO THE LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY AND LOCAL EMERGENCY, AUTHORIZE THE AUDITOR & CONTROLLER TO ESTABLISH A TRUST FUND FOR THE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AND AUTHORIZE ANY OTHER ACTION NECESSARY TO ADDRESS THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC [FUNDING SOURCES: COMBINATION OF STIMULUS FUNDING, PROGRAM REVENUES, REALIGNMENT AND COUNTY GENERAL FUND FUND BALANCE] |
| | 3. | RECEIVE THE FIRST 5 SAN DIEGO 2020 ANNUAL REPORT |
| | 4. | AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING FOR THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF ALLOCATION AWARD UNDER THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM [FUNDING SOURCE: THP ALLOCATION OF STATE GENERAL FUNDS] |

5. ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE PROPOSED PLAN AND TIMELINE FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION OF THE BASE STATION HOSPITAL SYSTEM AND TRAUMA CENTER CATCHMENT AREA DESIGNATIONS AND AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES
[FUNDING SOURCES: BASE HOSPITAL DESIGNATION FEES AND REALIGNMENT]
6. AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT WITH SOUTHERN CAREGIVER RESOURCE CENTER
[FUNDING SOURCES: OLDER AMERICANS ACT AND CARES ACT FUNDING FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING]
7. AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT OF ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT AMBULANCE SERVICES IN COUNTY SERVICE AREA 17
[FUNDING SOURCES: PROPERTY TAXES, SPECIAL BENEFIT TAXES, AND RESIDENT AND NON-RESIDENT AMBULANCE TRANSPORT FEES]
8. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY GENERAL RELIEF PROGRAM
(1/26/2021-FIRST READING; 2/9/2021-SECOND READING)

Financial and
General
Government

9. EXPANDING THE COUNTY'S COVID-19 SMALL BUSINESS RECOVERY PLAN AND EMPLOYEE SICK LEAVE POLICY
(4 VOTES)
10. SUPPORTING COUNTY FRONTLINE AND ESSENTIAL WORKERS BY ESTABLISHING A COVID-19 COMPENSATION FRAMEWORK
11. FRAMEWORK FOR OUR FUTURE: DECLARING POLLUTION AT THE TIJUANA RIVER VALLEY A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

Communications
Received

12. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

Appointments

13. APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS

Financial and
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Government

14. IMMEDIATE VACCINATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL

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| Closed Session | 15. | CLOSED SESSION |
| Public Communication | 16. | PUBLIC COMMUNICATION |

1. SUBJECT: SHERIFF - AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL CANNABIS TAX FUND GRANT PROGRAM AND TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDING IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) has funding available under the Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program for the Fiscal Year 2021-22. CHP works closely with state, local agencies and other traffic safety stakeholders to actively address impaired driving. National traffic safety statistics show the number of drivers under the influence of drugs, or a combination of drugs and alcohol, is on the rise with more drivers killed in accidents testing positive for drugs than alcohol. Funding from this program will enable the San Diego County Sheriff's Department Regional Crime Laboratory to establish an in-house toxicology program through the purchase of instrumentation, minor equipment, consumables, and upgrades to existing infrastructure which will help advance the standardization of toxicology practices and phase out the outsourcing of testing by a third-party laboratory. The grant funds will also aid in providing recommended NSC-ADID Tier I toxicology screening on all samples submitted in driving under the influence cases and provide a higher level of forensic analysis.

Today's request would authorize the Sheriff's Department to apply for and accept funding from the CHP for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program. This is also a request to authorize the Sheriff to apply for and accept funding for this grant program in subsequent years if there are no material changes to the grant terms and funding levels.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)
SHERIFF**

1. Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery, which requires full cost recovery for grants, as this grant program does not recover full cost.
2. Authorize the Sheriff to submit a grant application and, if awarded, accept an estimated amount of up to \$2,725,000 in grant funding from the California Highway Patrol for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program with a project performance period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023.
3. Authorize the Sheriff to apply for and accept funding from the California Highway Patrol Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program in subsequent years if there are no material changes to the grant terms and funding levels.
4. Authorize the Sheriff, and/or designee, in this year and subsequent years, to review and execute all required grant and grant related documents, and any annual extensions, amendments, and/or revisions thereof that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's requested actions. If awarded, staff will return to the Board to appropriate funds if necessary. The revenue recovers Sheriff's Department direct costs but does not reimburse all costs associated with administrative overhead and support estimated at \$23,980. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Desmond, seconded by Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

2. **SUBJECT: RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE COVID-19 RESPONSE, RATIFY ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO THE LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY AND LOCAL EMERGENCY, AUTHORIZE THE AUDITOR & CONTROLLER TO ESTABLISH A TRUST FUND FOR THE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AND AUTHORIZE ANY OTHER ACTION NECESSARY TO ADDRESS THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

A novel coronavirus (COVID-19) was detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province in China in December 2019. Since then, the virus has rapidly spread across the globe, resulting in the World Health Organization (WHO) declaring COVID-19 a pandemic on March 11, 2020.

On February 14, 2020, the San Diego County Public Health Officer issued a Declaration of Local Health Emergency, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 101080. Additionally, on that day, pursuant to California Government Code 8630, the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), serving as the County of San Diego (County) Director of Emergency Services and as the Coordinator of the Unified San Diego County Emergency Services Organization, issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency regarding COVID-19.

The County continues to make significant efforts to slow the spread of COVID-19. Today's actions request the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) to receive an update on the local COVID-19 response and ratify all actions taken by the CAO, Public Health Officer, Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting and Director, Department of General Services in response to the local health emergency and local emergency. Additionally, as part of the COVID-19 update to the Board on January 26, 2021, County staff presented an overview of the Emergency Rental Assistance Program. Today's action requests the Board authorize the Auditor & Controller to establish a trust fund for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, with interest earned to be retained in the trust fund. It is also recommended that the Board take any other action necessary to address the COVID-19 pandemic emergency response.

Today's proposed actions support the County's *Live Well San Diego* vision by protecting the health of residents against the COVID-19 pandemic.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Receive an update on the COVID-19 response.
2. Ratify all actions taken by the Chief Administrative Officer, Public Health Officer, Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, and Director, Department of General Services in response to the local health emergency and local emergency which shall include all agreements listed in Attachment A.
3. Ratify mutual aid agreements for vaccination services entered into by County Fire with the fire agencies listed in Attachment B.
4. Authorize the Auditor & Controller to establish a trust fund for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, with interest earned to be retained in the trust fund.
5. Take any other action necessary to address the COVID-19 pandemic emergency response.

FISCAL IMPACT

Prior action by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) created a framework for the use of over \$431 million in CARES Act, Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) revenue (\$390.7 million), and County of San Diego (County) General Fund Fund Balance (\$40.6 million), through December 30, 2020, toward our COVID-19 response efforts and for economic and community investments. The framework included public health and medical services, testing, tracing, treatment, temporary housing assistance, sanitation, food distribution services, allocations to the 17 cities that did not receive direct CARES Act funds, childcare vouchers, childcare provider grant program, economic stimulus program, child welfare outreach, Behavioral Health telehealth, compliance efforts, rental assistance, remote learning internet access for students, and administrative support. The estimated cost through the end of December 2020 is \$440.8 million. The County is currently spending an estimated \$12.5 million a week toward County response, Test, Trace, and Treat (T3) efforts, continuation of the Great Plates delivered Program, the COVID Income Stipend Program, and vaccination efforts. The weekly spend will continue to increase, tied to the implementation of the vaccination strategy. The County will rely on available stimulus funding, program revenues, Realignment, and County General Fund Fund Balance to cover costs. The County will continue to pursue other federal and State stimulus revenue and funding sources, including the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

This action will help support individuals, families and small businesses impacted by COVID-19.

ACTION:

Noting for the record that an Errata was submitted amending Attachment A and Attachment B; ON MOTION of Supervisor Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions:

1. Received an update on the COVID-19 response.
2. Ratified all actions taken by the Chief Administrative Officer, Public Health Officer, Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, and Director, Department of General Services in response to the local health emergency and local emergency which shall include all agreements listed in Attachment A and the Errata.
3. Ratified mutual aid agreements for vaccination services entered into by County Fire with the fire agencies listed in Attachment B and the Errata.
4. Authorized the Auditor & Controller to establish a trust fund for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, with interest earned to be retained in the trust fund.
5. Took any other action necessary to address the COVID-19 pandemic emergency response.
 Adopted Option B: "County administers a single program in conformance with State program design," for Rental Assistance Program and added the following to the program:
 - Include a health equity prioritization using the "healthy places index", consistent with the program design approved at the January 26, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting
 - Include a prioritization for single-parent households, consistent with the program design approved at the January 26, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting
 - Include an option for alternate forms of personal identification in the application process, including identification cards and passports issued by the Mexican government
 - Include translation services of all application documents, Frequently Asked Questions, and communications to include Spanish, Arabic, Tagalog, Vietnamese, and Chinese
 - Include additional application questions to include data on landlord portfolio, tenant demographics, and receipt of PPP loans

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

**3. SUBJECT: RECEIVE THE FIRST 5 SAN DIEGO 2020 ANNUAL REPORT
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

In November 1998, voters passed the California Children and Families Act (Proposition 10). The First 5 Commission of San Diego (Commission) uses revenue from voter-approved taxes on cigarettes and tobacco products to promote early childhood development for children ages zero to five. The Commission recently completed and approved its year-end report, providing a summary of the Commission's activities for Fiscal Year 2019-20. Today's action requests that the San Diego County Board of Supervisors receive the First 5 Commission of San Diego Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

This item supports the County of San Diego's *Live Well San Diego* vision by seeking to improve early childhood health and development in the San Diego region as well as the Commission's long-term goal to ensure that "all children in San Diego County enter school ready to learn."

RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Receive the First 5 Commission of San Diego Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors received the First 5 Commission of San Diego Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

4. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING FOR THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF ALLOCATION AWARD UNDER THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On June 27, 2019, Governor Newsom signed California Senate Bill (SB) 80, which provides funding to help reduce homelessness among foster care youth. SB 80 provides \$8 million dollars statewide in funding annually to county child welfare services agencies to reduce youth homelessness through the expansion of transitional housing. In Fiscal Year 2019-20, the County of San Diego (County) allocation award under the transitional housing program was \$480,000.

In July 2020, the California Department of Housing and Community Development issued an invitation to accept and receive round two of the annual allocation funding provided under SB 80 for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. The County Health and Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services Transitional Housing Programs (THP) provide up to 36 cumulative months of subsidized housing for current and former foster youth ages 18-24 years. In Fiscal Year 2019-20, 495 youth were served under the THP and 93% maintained stable housing over the course of the fiscal year. Because of the high rate of stability in the program, in any given month there are over 300 unduplicated youth participating in the THP. The addition of the proposed total Fiscal Year 2020-21 funding allocation to the County of \$480,000 will improve the percentage of youth maintaining stable housing by expanding resources provided to more than 100 young adults currently in the program and in the following targeted higher at-risk categories of housing disruption and homelessness:

- Youth that are pregnant and/or parenting;
- Youth with mental and behavioral health needs; and
- Youth involved or overcoming substance use or abuse.

Today's action requests the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to authorize the application for and acceptance of \$480,000 for the THP in funding allocated to the County for the anticipated funding period of Fiscal Year 2020-21 and to authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for any additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, to support transitional housing for youth.

This item supports the County's *Live Well San Diego* vision by furthering efforts to improve outcomes for youth entering adulthood from the foster care system and avoid youth homelessness.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Authorize the application for and acceptance of \$480,000 in Transitional Housing Program funds from the California Department of Housing and Community Development for the anticipated funding period of Fiscal Year 2020-21 to reduce youth homelessness and authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to execute all required allocation award documents, including all amendments thereto.
2. Adopt a resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE COUNTY ALLOCATION AWARD UNDER THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM.
3. Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for any additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, to support transitional housing for youth and avoid youth homelessness.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-22 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of \$480,000 for the Transitional Housing Program (THP) in Fiscal Year 2020-21 which will be covered by existing appropriations. The funding source is the THP allocation of State General Funds. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, adopting Resolution No. 21-014, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE COUNTY ALLOCATION AWARD UNDER THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

5. SUBJECT: ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE PROPOSED PLAN AND TIMELINE FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION OF THE BASE STATION HOSPITAL SYSTEM AND TRAUMA CENTER CATCHMENT AREA DESIGNATIONS AND AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On November 17, 2020 (20), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a plan for a comprehensive evaluation of the base station hospital system and trauma center catchment area designations, which could include contracting for a consultant, and return to the Board within 90 days with the cost and optimum time to begin the evaluation.

As the designated Local Emergency Medical Services Agency (LEMSA), the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) is responsible for ongoing oversight of the emergency medical services (EMS) system, which includes the designation of base station hospitals, trauma centers, and trauma center catchment areas. A comprehensive evaluation of the base station hospital system and trauma center catchment area designations would include: conducting community listening sessions and interviews with key stakeholders, health systems and EMS community; reviewing and evaluating the current base station hospital system and trauma center catchment areas; analyzing population data and projected regional growth; researching leading practices and models used by other jurisdictions; and providing recommendations in a comprehensive final report. HHSA recommends contracting with an independent consultant with specialized expertise in EMS or health systems to conduct the evaluation. The final report shall be evidence-based, and all information gathered and presented by the contractor will emphasize equity across San Diego County communities to ensure access to timely and appropriate services.

HHSA will begin implementation of the proposed 18-month plan for the evaluation as soon as the impacts of the current surge of the COVID-19 pandemic on health systems and EMS stakeholders have subsided, which is anticipated to be before July 2021. Based on this timeline, HHSA would return to the Board with the evaluation findings and recommendations no later than December 2022. The plan takes into consideration time needed to ensure adequate opportunities for health systems, key EMS stakeholders and County staff, who are currently heavily impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic response, to provide meaningful feedback at each stage of the process. Additionally, this timeline will allow for the evaluation to incorporate critical data from SANDAG, which under the current circumstances, may not be available until October 2021.

Today's actions request the Board accept and approve the proposed plan and timeline and authorize the Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation for consultant services to complete the evaluation of the base station hospital system and trauma center catchment area designations.

This action contributes to the County's *Live Well San Diego* vision by ensuring that the County of San Diego has optimized its health and social services delivery system to provide efficiency, integration and innovation while maintaining fiscal stability in support of a healthy, safe and thriving region.

RECOMMENDATION(S)**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Accept and approve the initiation of the proposed plan and timeline for the comprehensive evaluation of the base station hospital system and trauma center catchment area designations to be completed no later than December 2022.
2. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue solicitations by any lawful method and, upon successful negotiations and determination of fair and reasonable price, award a contract or contracts for consultant services to complete a comprehensive evaluation of the base station hospital system and trauma center catchment area designations.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-22 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will have no impact on Fiscal Year 2020-21 and an estimated increase in expenditures of \$300,000 in Fiscal Year 2021-22. Funds for Fiscal Year 2021-22 will be incorporated into the Fiscal Year 2021-23 CAO Recommended Operational Plan. The funding sources are Base Hospital Designation Fees and Realignment. There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Desmond, seconded by Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

6. SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT WITH SOUTHERN CAREGIVER RESOURCE CENTER (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Aging & Independence Services (AIS) provides a variety of programs serving seniors and persons with disabilities. These services support the goals and objectives established in the AIS Area Plan and Aging Roadmap.

On October 1, 2017, a contract was awarded to Southern Caregiver Resource Center through a competitive procurement to provide family caregiver support services to families throughout San Diego County. These services, including in-home respite care, have been vital during the COVID-19 pandemic, especially for family caregivers providing care and support to older adults with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, which has seen a doubling in demand for services. Additional CARES Act funding has been made available from the California Department of Aging to address the new and increased needs resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. If approved, today's action would authorize the Director of Purchasing and Contracting to enter into negotiations, on behalf of AIS, with Southern Caregiver Resource Center to amend the current contract and further expand the Family Caregiver Support

Program, increasing the amount of respite care hours provided, to give caregivers temporary relief from their caregiving responsibilities.

Today's actions support the County's *Live Well San Diego* vision by continuing services that assist vulnerable older and disabled residents of San Diego County and their caregivers to access family caregiver support services, which promotes a healthy, safe, and thriving region.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to enter into negotiations with Southern Caregiver Resource Center and upon a determination of a fair and reasonable price, amend contract number 556999 to include additional respite care hours for family caregivers and increase the annual contract maximum to an amount not to exceed \$1,800,000 for Fiscal Year 2020-21, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract as required to reflect changes to services, and funding allocations.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-22 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in increased costs and revenue of approximately \$550,000 in Fiscal Year 2020-21 which will be covered by existing appropriations. The funding sources are the Older Americans Act and CARES Act funding from the California Department of Aging. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Desmond, seconded by Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

7. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT OF ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT AMBULANCE SERVICES IN COUNTY SERVICE AREA 17 (DISTRICTS: 3, 5)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Medical Care Services Division (MCSD) is responsible for planning and implementing a regional emergency medical services system, including the designation of operating zones for the provision of ambulance services. County Service Area 17 (CSA 17) is a voter approved special district created to provide 9-1-1 Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance services in a specific geographic area. CSA 17, San Dieguito Emergency Medical Services District, includes the cities of Del Mar, Solana Beach, Encinitas, City of San Diego communities of Del Mar Heights and Del Mar Terrace, the unincorporated communities of Rancho Santa Fe, 4-S Ranch and a portion of Elfin Forest.

On September 25, 2012 (3), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) authorized the Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a Request for Proposals for ALS ambulance services in CSA 17. Pursuant to this authority, the Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting awarded a contract for the period from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2015, which was subsequently extended for three additional two-year options periods through December 31, 2021. Additionally, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 1797.224, a competitive process is required for the selection of a provider or providers of ALS ambulance services in CSA 17.

Today's action requests the Board to authorize the Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation for ALS ambulance services in CSA 17, for an initial term of two years with six-one year options and an additional six months if needed, and to amend the awarded contract to reflect any future changes in funding allocation and/or required services, subject to the approval of the Agency Director of the Health and Human Services Agency.

This action contributes to the *Live Well San Diego* vision by ensuring the availability of ALS ambulance services in CSA 17 in support of a healthy, safe and thriving region.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation for Advanced Life Support ambulance services in CSA 17 and upon successful negotiations and determination of fair and reasonable price, award a contract for an initial term of two years with six-one-year options and up to an additional six months if needed, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract as required to reflect changes in services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request will be included in the Fiscal Year 2021-23 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the San Dieguito Ambulance District, CSA 17. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of approximately \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2021-22 and costs and revenue of approximately \$4,000,000 to \$6,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2022-23. The funding sources include property taxes, special benefit taxes, and resident and non-resident ambulance transport fees. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Desmond, seconded by Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

8. SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY GENERAL RELIEF PROGRAM (1/26/2021-FIRST READING; 2/9/2021-SECOND READING) (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On January 26, 2021 (06), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on February 09, 2021.

General Relief programs provide temporary cash assistance to eligible low-income residents who are not supported by their own means, public funds, or assistance programs. Counties throughout the State are mandated to establish and implement General Relief programs under California Welfare Institutions Code Section 17000, et seq. The County of San Diego (County), Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), administers the County's General Relief program governed by Administrative Code Article XV-C. As part of the County's efforts to address the COVID-19 pandemic, HHSA modified department policy related to administration of the General Relief program, to comply with State and local Public Health Orders. Today's action requests the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) permanently implement some of these modifications by making the following amendments to Article XV-C of the San Diego Administrative Code:

- Section 258(a): to allow virtual applications for General Relief.
- Sec. 263(a): to allow 30 days from the date of approval to obtain the lien.

On January 26, 2021 (6), the Board approved the first reading to the Ordinance amending the San Diego County Administrative Code relating to the San Diego County General Relief program. Additionally, the Board directed the Chief Administrative Officer to provide a memorandum to the Board that includes the following:

- An outline of the costs associated with eliminating Section 265 of the San Diego County Administrative Code relating to citizenship and lawful alien status requirement of the General Relief program.
- An analysis of Section 263 of the San Diego County Administrative Code relating to the lien requirements of the General Relief program.

HHSA will provide this memorandum by the February 9, 2021 Board meeting.

Today's request requires two steps: on January 26, 2021, it is requested that the Board consider an Ordinance amending the San Diego County Administrative Code relating to the General Relief program. If the Board takes the action recommended, then on February 9, 2021, the proposed Ordinance will be brought back to the Board for consideration and adoption.

This action supports the Thriving component of the *Live Well San Diego* vision by improving the access to services for low-income county residents.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Adopt the Ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE
RELATING TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY GENERAL RELIEF PROGRAM.**

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's action. There will be no change in net General Funds cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors amended the proposed Ordinance as follows:

- Amend and replace Section 261, subsection (b), of the proposed ordinance, to read as follows: "Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the Director may grant General Relief to an applicant or recipient household owning real property where, but for the ownership of such property, the applicant or recipient household would otherwise be eligible, and extreme hardship would result if General Relief were not granted."
- Amend Section 263 as follows:
 - Delete the title and retitle the section as "Assignment of Claims."
 - Delete Subsections (a) and (c) in its entirety
- Return to the Board on March 2, 2021 for second reading and adoption of the Ordinance.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

**9. SUBJECT: EXPANDING THE COUNTY'S COVID-19 SMALL BUSINESS
RECOVERY PLAN AND EMPLOYEE SICK LEAVE POLICY
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to cause devastation to businesses throughout the San Diego region. To date, San Diego County has experienced over 233,000 positive COVID-19 cases, and 2,534 deaths. Millions of people across the region face growing distress and hardship, including individuals and families experiencing COVID-19 health impacts, as well as those suffering from economic disruption.

San Diego's regional economy continues to struggle. Since the beginning of the pandemic, foot traffic to businesses is down 36%, regional consumer spending is down 12%, and SANDAG projects a loss of \$10-15 billion in gross regional product. The pandemic has hit small businesses particularly hard, as they account for a large share of the most impacted sectors like retail, food and beverage, and personal care services. Small businesses are a vital cog in our regional economy, accounting for approximately 95% of all businesses in the region and over half of the region's employment base. Last year, the Board approved a total of \$47.5

million to launch the Small Business Stimulus Grant Program. The program was rolled-out over two rounds that were both vastly oversubscribed from the start. In total, the County received 8,843 applications requesting \$1.5 billion in grant awards but was only able to fund 7,668 applications totaling \$47.5 million.

We request Board approval to immediately begin developing the framework to launch a third round of the Small Business Stimulus Grant Program to deploy a minimum of \$30 million in additional grants (a minimum of \$6 million per district). Funding for implementing the third round will be contingent upon receiving federal or state stimulus dollars. This request is timely as Congress is actively negotiating a federal stimulus package and we want the County to be ready to implement small business support as soon as federal or state stimulus dollars are received.

Additionally, we request the Board approve the establishment of a temporary COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave Policy for a two-month period, covering January 1, 2021 through March 2, 2021. This policy would mirror and effectively extend the federal Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) paid family sick leave program that was passed by Congress and signed into effect on March 18, 2020 and expired on December 31, 2020. Congress is currently negotiating an extension of the FFCRA program, which could potentially allow for payments or reimbursement of costs incurred by the County.

This policy is particularly important as thousands of County employees are frontline workers who directly interact with COVID-19 positive individuals or persons under investigation of COVID-19, or who work onsite in settings with documented COVID-19 outbreaks. Many other County employees engage with clients and members of the public and are at increased risk of exposure. To date, 1,259 County employees have contracted the virus, and tragically, three employees have died. The COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave Policy protects against public health risks and ensures that employees are not penalized for rigorously following self-isolation and social distancing guidelines following a positive COVID test.

Together, today's actions set up a framework to immediately and urgently support impacted small businesses with stimulus grants and ensure the continuation of paid family sick leave so County employees can responsibly follow self-isolation guidelines.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER AND SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON

1. Approve the amended San Diego County Small Business Stimulus Grant Fund Program, Attachment A, to award a minimum of \$30 million in additional grants (a minimum of \$6 million per district) to eligible small businesses who are in compliance with state and local public health guidelines. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute grant agreements and take other actions necessary with eligible businesses selected by each supervisorial district office. The grant application portal will not accept applications and disbursement of checks will not occur until after federal and/or state stimulus funds are identified for the program and appropriated by the Board of Supervisors.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate with the Labor unions to re-establish the Department of Human Resources Policy allowing COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave Policy for all County employees and to return to the Board with any necessary actions to implement this policy, including a compensation ordinance.

This policy should continue to mirror the programmatic requirements of the Family First Coronavirus Recovery Act, including all eligibility criteria, benefits, duration of leave, qualifying reasons for leave, employer notice requirements, and prohibitions.

The policy should be in effect from January 1, 2021 through March 2, 2021.

The CAO shall return back to the Board no later than March 2, 2021 with a review of this policy, including data on COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave usage by department, an assessment of costs, and recommendations for potential extension of the policy.

3. Establish appropriations of \$672,000 in the Health & Human Services Agency, Salaries & Benefits, based on available prior year General Fund fund balance, for the purpose of fully implementing the proposed temporary COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave policy. (4 VOTES)
4. Establish appropriations of \$24,224 in the Department of Environmental Health & Quality, Salaries & Benefits, based on available prior year General Fund fund balance, for the purpose of fully implementing the proposed temporary COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave policy. (4 VOTES)
5. Establish appropriations of \$48,951 in Agriculture, Weights & Measures, Salaries & Benefits, based on available prior year General Fund fund balance, for the purpose of fully implementing the proposed temporary COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave policy. (4 VOTES)
6. Establish appropriations of \$27,909 in the Department of Parks & Recreation, Salaries & Benefits, based on available prior year General Fund fund balance, for the purpose of fully implementing the proposed temporary COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave policy. (4 VOTES)

FISCAL IMPACT

Since funding for the third round of the Small Business Stimulus Grant is not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan, County staff will return to the Board for additional appropriations to support the additional grant awards and increased costs to administer the program. It is anticipated that these appropriations will be supported by additional federal and state stimulus funds. Funds for the second action included in this letter are partially included in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan. If approved, the recommendation is estimated to result in costs of up to \$2,100,000. Based on current departmental projections of available appropriations, Recommendations 3 - 6 establish additional appropriations totaling \$773,084 based on available prior year General Fund fund balance for the purpose of fully implementing the proposed temporary COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave policy.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

This action will help support individuals, families and small businesses impacted by COVID-19.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Lawson-Remer, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions:

1. Approved the amended San Diego County Small Business Stimulus Grant Fund Program, Attachment A, to award a minimum of \$30 million in additional grants (a minimum of \$6 million per district) to eligible small businesses who are in compliance with state and local public health guidelines. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute grant agreements and take other actions necessary with eligible businesses selected by each supervisorial district office. The grant application portal will not accept applications and disbursement of checks will not occur until after federal and/or state stimulus funds are identified for the program and appropriated by the Board of Supervisors; and,

Directed the Chief Administrative Officer to develop the program and return to the Board with options designed to maximize the program's impact across the region through an equity lens, including a review of the number of small businesses in each district, with final grant awards to be determined by each Board office.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Anderson, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions as recommended:

2. Directed the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate with the Labor unions to re-establish the Department of Human Resources Policy allowing COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave Policy for all County employees and to return to the Board with any necessary actions to implement this policy, including amendments to the compensation ordinance. This policy should continue to mirror the programmatic requirements of the Family First Coronavirus Recovery Act, including all eligibility criteria, benefits, duration of leave, qualifying reasons for leave, employer notice requirements, and prohibitions. The policy should be in effect from January 1, 2021 through March 2, 2021. The CAO shall return back to the Board no later than March 2, 2021 with a review of this policy, including data on COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave usage by department, an assessment of costs, and recommendations for potential extension of the policy.
3. Established appropriations of \$672,000 in the Health & Human Services Agency, Salaries & Benefits, based on available prior year General Fund fund balance, for the purpose of fully implementing the proposed temporary COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave policy.
4. Established appropriations of \$24,224 in the Department of Environmental Health & Quality, Salaries & Benefits, based on available prior year General Fund fund balance, for the purpose of fully implementing the proposed temporary COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave policy.
5. Established appropriations of \$48,951 in Agriculture, Weights & Measures, Salaries & Benefits, based on available prior year General Fund fund balance, for the purpose of fully implementing the proposed temporary COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave policy.

6. Established appropriations of \$27,909 in the Department of Parks & Recreation, Salaries & Benefits, based on available prior year General Fund fund balance, for the purpose of fully implementing the proposed temporary COVID-19 Paid Family Sick Leave policy.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

**10. SUBJECT: SUPPORTING COUNTY FRONTLINE AND ESSENTIAL WORKERS
BY ESTABLISHING A COVID-19 COMPENSATION FRAMEWORK
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On February 14, 2020 County of San Diego Public Health Officer Dr. Wilma Wooten declared a public health emergency. On March 19, 2020 the State gave an order directing non-essential employees to stay at home. Since then, around 8,300 San Diego County employees have been deemed to be essential workers, serving the public interest and providing emergency services that are critical to our COVID-19 pandemic response.

Many essential workers interact directly with the public, with COVID-19 positive individuals, or with Persons Under Investigation (PUI) of being COVID-19 positive. A growing body of research shows that despite social distancing protocols, many essential workers are at increased risk of COVID-19 exposure as well as psychological distress. Further, essential workers have not been able to work from home to assist family members with distanced learning and have incurred increased childcare costs during the pandemic. The toll of the COVID-19 pandemic on our County workforce has been severe. 1,259 San Diego County employees have tested positive for COVID since the beginning of the pandemic and tragically, three employees have died from COVID.

The pandemic has also necessitated a large portion of the County workforce to adhere to new social distancing protocols including widespread use of teleworking arrangements. Approximately 9,000 County employees are categorized as non-essential and are teleworking in various capacities, incurring additional costs such as increased internet access, electricity use, office equipment, headsets, and printing.

The County should develop a hazard pay compensation framework and monthly teleworking payment framework that supports our County's workforce. This is timely as the federal government is currently negotiating an additional round of federal stimulus appropriations that can assist local governments to meet critical needs.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER

1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to work in accordance with the County's negotiation process to develop a compensation framework, including retroactive considerations, for providing COVID-19 hazard pay to the categories of County employees as described below:
 - County employees who are working directly with COVID-19 positive individuals and Persons Under Investigation (PUIs) of being COVID-19 positive, including those who work with the deceased, as well as all employees who perform field work that requires them to enter residences or facilities not operated by the County, those who work in locked facilities,

residential care, patient care settings, and County employees who work onsite at County work locations during a documented COVID-19 outbreak.

- County employees who are engaging with the public and/or clients and could be interacting with COVID-19 positive individuals or PUIs. Additionally, all County employees who are being required to report to work onsite on a part-time or full-time basis and are at risk of exposure due to interaction with coworkers.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to work in accordance with the County's negotiation process to develop a monthly teleworking payment framework (including retroactive considerations) to support employees who are teleworking and have incurred work-related expenses such as internet access, printing, equipment, electricity use, and other expenses necessary to fulfill job requirements.
 3. Direct the Chief Administration Officer to regularly confer with the Board, starting no later than March 16, 2021, on the status of negotiations with the nine County employee labor unions and associations.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the actions included in this letter. Since funding for the potential implementation of a COVID-19 hazard pay compensation framework and monthly teleworking payment framework is not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan, estimated costs and revenues associated with a recommended framework may require County staff to return to the Board for additional appropriations based on specific funding sources.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Fletcher, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Vargas, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher
NOES: Anderson, Desmond

11. **SUBJECT: FRAMEWORK FOR OUR FUTURE: DECLARING POLLUTION AT THE TIJUANA RIVER VALLEY A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

Since 1931, contamination at the Tijuana River Valley has negatively impacted the health of border and coastal communities in San Diego County (County) and our binational region. With this in mind, the County should be assessing environmental issues at the Tijuana River Valley as a public health crisis. This action is long overdue in an area that is faced with poor air quality, sewage leaks, waste from industrial plants, litter of waste-tires that can become breeding sources for disease-carrying mosquitoes, plastic pollution, sediment, and trash. This direct environmental impact coupled with the long-lasting health impact undermines our regions public health.

This Board Letter includes actions for the Board of Supervisors (Board) to publicly and openly acknowledge that the diverse sources of pollution at the Tijuana River Valley pose a public health crisis. Shifting the perspective from a solely environmental concern to a public health crisis makes a statement about our County values, policies, practices, and community priorities to take a holistic approach to solving contamination issues at the Tijuana River Valley.

In declaring pollution at the Tijuana River Valley as a public health crisis, we are acknowledging that the diverse sources of contamination have a direct correlation to health outcomes in our South County and coastal communities. As a public health agency for the region, the County, along with federal, state and other local agencies, has a responsibility to address the issue head on in order to improve the overall health of residents in our binational region. We must all acknowledge that pollution in the Tijuana River Valley extends beyond its environmental impact to a public health concern and affects decisions taken by County Public Health Services.

I strongly urge your support for the recommendations in this letter to ensure that the Board of Supervisors and all subsequent County operations view pollution in the Tijuana River Valley as a public health crisis and further push to improve health outcomes.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

VICE-CHAIR NORA VARGAS

Declare Pollution at Tijuana River Valley a Public Health Crisis

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with these recommendations. There may be future fiscal impacts associated with recommendations proposed by the South County Environmental Justice Task Force. Any such recommendations would need to be approved by the Board of Supervisors including allocation of resources in future budgets to achieve the outcomes.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Vargas, seconded by Supervisor Anderson, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended declaring pollution at Tijuana River Valley a Public Health Crisis.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

12. SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

Board Policy A-72, Board of Supervisors Agenda and Related Process, authorizes the Clerk of the Board to prepare a Communications Received for Board of Supervisors' Official Records. Routine informational reports, which need to be brought to the attention of the Board of Supervisors yet not requiring action, are listed on this document. Communications Received documents are on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Note and file.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Desmond, seconded by Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

13. SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

These appointments are in accordance with applicable Board Policy A-74, "Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees."

RECOMMENDATION(S)

VICE CHAIR NORA VARGAS

Re-appoint Joe Garbanzos to the ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR AGING AND INDEPENDENCE SERVICES, Seat No. 1, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Ethel Larkins to the ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR AGING AND INDEPENDENCE SERVICES, Seat No. 2, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint William Rodriguez-Kennedy to the CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, Seat No. 1, for a term to expire January 3, 2022.

Re-appoint Leah Goodwin to the COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS, Seat No. 1, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Griselda Delgado to the SAN DIEGO MILITARY AND VETERANS ADVISORY COUNCIL, Seat No. 1, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON

Appoint Justin Schlaefli to the AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, Seat No. 2, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Waive Board Policy A-74, "Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees," and re-appoint James P. Miller Jr. to the COUNTY HEARING OFFICERS, Seat No. 3, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint James Floros to the SOCIAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD, Seat No. 3, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER

Appoint Shirley King to the ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR AGING AND INDEPENDENCE SERVICES, Seat No. 5, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Gene Ma to the EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE, Seat No. 26, for a term to expire February 9, 2025.

Appoint Linda Correa to the HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD (HSAB), Seat No. 5, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Bruce Walters to the HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD (HSAB), Seat No. 6, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Katelyn Hailey to the HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD (HSAB), Seat No. 18, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Beth Davenport to the COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO HIV PLANNING GROUP, Seat No. 35, for a term to expire February 9, 2025.

Waive Board Policy A-74, "Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees," and re-appoint Steven L. Lochridge to the NORTH COUNTY CEMETERY DISTRICT, Seat No. 3, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Tommy Hough to the PLANNING COMMISSION, Seat No. 4, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Danny Jackson to the SAN DIEGO MILITARY AND VETERANS ADVISORY COUNCIL, Seat No. 3, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Desmond, seconded by Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

14. SUBJECT: IMMEDIATE VACCINATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The COVID-19 vaccination phased roll-out plan was initially brought before the Board of Supervisors on December 8, 2020. The vaccination efforts were implicitly brought forth with a focus on vaccinating those members of our community whose jobs are critical to the response effort by providing direct care and maintaining societal function, as well as those at highest

risk for developing illness from COVID-19. With this as the framework for the tiered prioritization of vaccination dissemination, law enforcement personnel were excluded from the first tier of eligibility. Although law enforcement personnel often come into contact with a significant number of individuals while responding to calls, they were included in a lower tier than other emergency personnel and those who respond to emergency incidents.

This item requests the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to prioritize the vaccination of law enforcement personnel by supporting their immediate vaccination eligibility through the inclusion of law enforcement in Tier 1A of the County's vaccination plan.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON

Recommend that the Public Health Officer move law enforcement personnel to Tier 1A of the County's vaccination plan and take any necessary steps to ensure they have prompt access to COVID-19 vaccinations.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

Noting for the record that an Errata was submitted; ON MOTION of Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors recommended that the Public Health Officer treat law enforcement personnel like other first responders, such as firefighters and lifeguards, in County vaccination priorities and to take the necessary steps to ensure they have prompt access to COVID-19 vaccinations.

AYES: Anderson, Desmond

NOES: Vargas, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher

(Motion failed due to lack of majority vote.)

15. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)

Leonid Shneyder v. County of San Diego; San Diego County Superior Court Case No. 37-2020-00034469-CU-OE-CTL

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)

640 Tenth LP, et al. v. Gavin Newsom, et al; San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2020-00041316-CU-MC-CTL

- C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Jose L. Ramos, Jr. et al. v. County of San Diego; San Diego County Superior Court
Case No. 37-2017-00048434-CU-EI-CTL
- D. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Chassidy NeSmith, et al. v. County of San Diego, et al.; United States District
Court, Southern District No. 3:15-CV-0629-JLS-JMA
- E. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Maria Palacios v. County of San Diego et al.; United States District Court, Southern
District No. 3:20-CV-405-MMA-BGS
- F. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Ana Sandoval, et al. v. County of San Diego, et al.; United States Court of Appeals
for the Ninth Circuit, Docket No. 18-55289
- G. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Carson Clark v. County of San Diego; Workers' Compensation Appeals Board,
San Diego District No. ADJ12475829
- H. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
David Morgan v. County of San Diego; Workers' Compensation Appeals Board,
San Diego District No. ADJ11728292
- I. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Elfin Forest Harmony Grove Town Council v. County of San Diego; San Diego
County Superior Court Case No. 37-2018-00042927-CU-TT-CTL
- J. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Elfin Forest Harmony Grove Town Council v. County of San Diego; San Diego
County Superior Court Case No. 37-2018-00043049-CU-TT-CTL
- K. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Sierra Club v. County of San Diego; San Diego County Superior Court Case No.
37-2018-00043084-CU-TT-CTL
- L. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Sierra Club, et al. v. County of San Diego; San Diego County Superior Court Case
No. 37-2019-00038820-CU-TT-CTL

- M. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Endangered Habitat League v. County of San Diego; San Diego County Superior Court Case No. 37-2019-00038672-CU-TT-CTL
- N. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Center for Biological Diversity v. County of San Diego; San Diego County Superior Court Case No. 37-2019-00038747-CU-WM-CTL
- O. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Center for Biological Diversity, et al. v. County of San Diego; San Diego County Superior Court Case No. 37-2020-00046553-CU-WM-CTL

ACTION:

County Counsel reported that for Closed Session on February 9, 2021, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions:

Item 15C: Jose L. Ramos, Jr., et al. v. County of San Diego, with all five Board members voting "AYE", authorize County Counsel to settle this case alleging breach of a lease for \$54,486.56

Item 15F: Estate of Ronnie Sandoval, et al. v. County of San Diego, et al., with all five Board members voting "AYE", authorize County Counsel to file a Petition for Rehearing *En Banc* with the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in this case alleging deliberate indifference to an inmate's medical care.

Item 15G: Carson Clark v. County of San Diego, with all five Board members voting "AYE", authorize County Counsel to settle this workers' compensation case involving the death of a retired deputy sheriff for \$260,000.

Item 15H: David Morgan v. County of San Diego, with all five Board members voting "AYE", authorize County Counsel to settle this workers' compensation claim made by a retired deputy sheriff for \$259,879.81.

16. SUBJECT: PUBLIC COMMUNICATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

Judith Strang provided comments to the Board regarding grants for small businesses and concerns about legalizing marijuana.

Kelly McCormick, Becky Rapp, and Peggy Walker provided comments to the Board regarding banning tobacco products for youth.

Drucilla Willis provided comments to the Board regarding racism.

Lori Saldana provided comments to the Board regarding death of inmates in San Diego County jails.

ACTION:

Heard, Referred to the Chief Administrative Officer.

The Board adjourned the Tuesday session at 4:14 p.m.

ANDREW POTTER

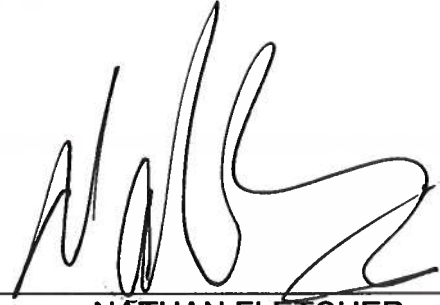
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Diego, State of California

Consent: Rodriguez

Discussion: Zurita

NOTE: This Statement of Proceedings sets forth all actions taken by the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors on the matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.

Approved by the Board of Supervisors, on Tuesday, March 02, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nathan Fletcher', written over a horizontal line.

NATHAN FLETCHER
Chair

Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Potter', written over a horizontal line.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board

02/09/2021