

August 31, 2022

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

The Minutes of the

***BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
PLANNING AND LAND USE MATTERS***

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - LAND USE
REGULAR MEETING
MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2022, 9:00 AM
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER, 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, Ryan Sharp, Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

(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, pursuant to Resolution No. 22-120, adopted August 16, 2022.)

- B. 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.
- C. Approval of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the meeting of August 17, 2022.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Anderson, the Board of Supervisors approved the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the Regular Board of Supervisors meeting of August 17, 2022.

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

- D. Consent Calendar
- E. 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

- | Agenda # | Subject |
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| 1. | ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (08/17/2022 - ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS;
08/31/2022 - SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE)
[FUNDING SOURCE: STATE HIGHWAY USER TAX ACCOUNT] |
| 2. | GENERAL SERVICES - ADOPT RESOLUTION TO SUMMARILY VACATE ALL
OF PROTOTYPE PLACE IN THE EAST OTAY MESA COMMUNITY PLAN AREA
(VACATION NO. 2022-0056)
[FUNDING SOURCE: DEPOSIT FROM THE APPLICANT] |
| 3. | GENERAL SERVICES - ADOPT RESOLUTION TO SUMMARILY VACATE A
PORTION OF THE ORIGINAL ALIGNMENT OF VIGILANTE ROAD, IN THE
LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PLAN AREA (VACATION NO. 2021-0231)
[FUNDING SOURCE: DEPOSIT FROM THE APPLICANT] |
| 4. | MCCLELLAN-PALOMAR AIRPORT - APPROVAL OF SIX LEASE
AMENDMENTS FOR SCHEDULED RENT ADJUSTMENT ONLY
[FUNDING SOURCE: RENTAL PAYMENTS FROM THE LESSEES UNDER THE
TERMS OF THE AMENDED LEASES]
(4 VOTES) |
| 5. | RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE INTEGRATED REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION
FRAMEWORK AND DESIGN OF IMPLEMENTATION PLAYBOOK |
| 6. | ADVANCEMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES FOR COUNTY
FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS AND THE UNINCORPORATED AREA IN
SUPPORT OF THE REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION FRAMEWORK AND
CLIMATE ACTION PLAN UPDATE |
| 7. | NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:
ORGANIC MATERIALS ORDINANCE UPDATE: ADVANCEMENT OF
SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES IN SUPPORT OF THE REGIONAL
DECARBONIZATION FRAMEWORK AND CLIMATE ACTION PLAN |
| 8. | PUBLIC COMMUNICATION |

1. **SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (08/17/2022 - ADOPT
RECOMMENDATIONS; 08/31/2022 - SECOND READING OF AN
ORDINANCE) (DISTRICTS: 2 & 5)**

OVERVIEW

On August 17, 2022 (08), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on August 31, 2022.

The Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) is part of the Department of Public Works (DPW) traffic engineering program. TAC was established by the Board of Supervisors (Board) in the 1960s to provide traffic regulations and recommendations within the unincorporated areas of the county. To be effective, TAC proposes policies that will enhance safety, reduce congestion and be legally enforceable so that the majority of motorists will comply. The TAC meets every six weeks to review proposed additions, deletions, or changes to regulatory traffic control devices such as speed limits, stop signs, traffic signals, and parking regulations on County of San Diego (County) maintained roads. Upon receipt of a request or recommendation for a traffic regulation in unincorporated areas of the county, the TAC reviews and investigates the requested item, including engineering and traffic condition studies. TAC recommendations are provided to the Board for consideration.

The TAC recommends the Board act on two items from the March 11, 2022, TAC meeting agenda:

Items from the 03/11/2022 TAC Meeting			
District	Item	Location	Action
2	2-A	Euclid Avenue, Granite Hills	Recertify the 40 MPH speed limit
5	5-A*	Nordahl Road, San Marcos/Escondido	Reduce the 35 MPH speed limit to 30 MPH and certify
* Indicates second reading of ordinance is required.			

Approval of Item 2-A on Euclid Avenue in Granite Hills and Item 5-A on Nordahl Road in San Marcos/Escondido would support speed enforcement which increases roadway safety and retains an efficient use of roads for the movement of people and goods. Properly posted speed limits provide feedback to drivers to improve traffic safety, reduce the number and severity of collisions, and allow for fair enforcement.

The Board's action on Item 2-A on Euclid Avenue in Granite Hills does not revise the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances and therefore does not require a second reading of an ordinance. Board direction on August 17, 2022, would allow implementation by DPW.

The Board's action on Item 5-A on Nordahl Road in San Marcos/Escondido would introduce an ordinance to amend a speed limit zone. This action would revise County Code and require two steps. On August 17, 2022, the Board would consider the TAC items. If the Board takes action as recommended on August 17, then on August 31, 2022, a second reading and adoption of an ordinance amending County Code would be necessary to implement the Board's direction.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

District 2:

Item 2-A. Euclid Avenue from the El Cajon city limit (at Granite Hills Drive) to Valley View Boulevard in Granite Hills - Recertify the 40 MPH speed limit for radar enforcement.

District 5:

Item 5-A. Nordahl Road from the Escondido city limit (near El Norte Parkway) to the San Marcos city limit (at Knob Hill Road) in Escondido/San Marcos - Reduce the existing 35 MPH speed limit to 30 MPH and certify the new speed limit for radar enforcement.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Consider and adopt the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 72.161.63. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO SPEED LIMITS ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY (Item 5-A).

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The review of traffic signs and roadway markings supports vehicle safety on County-maintained roads. The transportation system must be safe for all road users, for all modes of transportation, in all communities, and for people of all incomes, races, ethnicities, ages, and abilities. Understanding travel patterns, where fatal and serious injury crashes are occurring and the disproportionate impacts on certain communities will allow the Department of Public Works (DPW) to identify actions to address the underlying factors and causes and improve safety.

DPW's Local Road Safety Program reviews fatal and severe injury collisions along road segments within the unincorporated areas of the county and utilizes the Healthy Places Index and CalEnviroScreen to ensure underserved populations are prioritized. The Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) relies on the Local Road Safety Plan and performs reviews of regulatory traffic control devices such as signs and markings. While adherence to sign and marking standards developed by the California Department of Transportation is crucial to obtaining the compliance of most drivers, the TAC also relies on various community engagement methods such as the Tell Us Now! mobile app, toll-free hotlines, and a customer service request program to intake reports on a wide variety of traffic concerns and ensure the concerns are addressed.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Department of Public Works Road Fund. The funding source is State Highway User Tax Account. 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 Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Ordinance No. 10806, entitled: ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 72.161.63. OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO SPEED LIMITS ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY (Item 5-A).

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

2. **SUBJECT: GENERAL SERVICES - ADOPT RESOLUTION TO SUMMARILY VACATE ALL OF PROTOTYPE PLACE IN THE EAST OTAY MESA COMMUNITY PLAN AREA (VACATION NO. 2022-0056) (DISTRICT: 1)**

OVERVIEW

The Asset Management Division of the Department of General Services is processing a request to summarily vacate all of Prototype Place and the associated clear space easement. A summary vacation is a streamlined process by which a public road or public service easement is abandoned. A summary vacation may be requested by the public if the easement interests are found to be excess to County of San Diego (County) needs and are not required for the purposes for which they were obtained.

The applicant has requested to vacate all of Prototype Place and the associated clear space easement at the intersection with Paseo de la Fuente that encumbers their property. The property is located at the intersection of Prototype Place and Paseo de la Fuente, within the East Otay Mesa Community Plan Area in the unincorporated community of East Otay Mesa. The vacated road is excess because the remaining roadways will be in accordance with the Mobility Element of the County's General Plan, and the clear space easement would no longer be needed when the road is vacated.

The property is zoned for mixed-industrial and intended for wholesale storage and distribution, including warehouses, research services, and general industrial uses. General industrial land use is defined as industrial plants primarily engaged in manufacturing, compounding, processing, assembling, packaging, treatment, or fabrication of materials and products. Additionally, other compatible commercial types of uses such as construction sales and services, automotive and equipment use, and custom manufacturing are also permitted in the mixed-industrial zone areas and are planned to serve the daily convenience needs of the industrial workforce in East Otay Mesa. Planning & Development Services (PDS) is currently processing a Site Plan permit for a 52,500-square-foot tilt-up concrete warehouse on the four-acre site. Currently, the project applicant does not have a tenant agreement secured.

Today's request is for the Board of Supervisors to adopt a Resolution to summarily vacate all of Prototype Place and the associated clear space easement, which are an excess right-of-way and excess public service easement not required for public purposes.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find the proposed vacation is not subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15060(c)(2) and 15060(c)(3) because the action would result in the summary vacation of a public right-of-way easement and associated drainage, excavation and embankment slope rights, and a public service clear space easement that are not needed for public purposes and will not have a reasonably foreseeable direct or indirect effect on the environment, and is therefore not a project subject to CEQA as defined in section 15378.
2. Adopt a Resolution entitled: RESOLUTION TO SUMMARILY VACATE ALL OF PROTOTYPE PLACE IN THE EAST OTAY MESA COMMUNITY PLAN AREA (VACATION NO. 2022-0056).
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to record the Resolution for Vacation No. 2022-0056 pursuant to State of California Streets and Highways Code Section 8336.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The removal of encumbrances from private lands that are no longer needed for public road or public service easement purposes will provide an overall public benefit and improve the use of the land made available by the vacation. The proposed summary vacation is in an industrial area and will allow the parcel owner that was impacted by the encumbrances to better use their property. The existing surrounding road system will continue to provide adequate access for all properties located near the proposed vacation and the summary vacation would not preclude future development.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan in the Department of General Services. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$4,000 to process the proposed summary vacation. The funding source is a deposit from the applicant. 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 Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Resolution No. 22-130, entitled: RESOLUTION TO SUMMARILY VACATE ALL OF PROTOTYPE PLACE IN THE EAST OTAY MESA COMMUNITY PLAN AREA (VACATION NO. 2022-0056).

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

3. SUBJECT: GENERAL SERVICES - ADOPT RESOLUTION TO SUMMARILY VACATE A PORTION OF THE ORIGINAL ALIGNMENT OF VIGILANTE ROAD, IN THE LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PLAN AREA (VACATION NO. 2021-0231) (DISTRICT: 2)

OVERVIEW

The Asset Management Division of the Department of General Services is processing a request to summarily vacate a portion of the original alignment of Vigilante Road. A summary vacation is a streamlined process by which a public road, offer of dedication for a public road, or public service easement is abandoned. A summary vacation may be requested by the public if the easement interests are found to be excess to County of San Diego (County) needs and are not required for the purposes for which they were obtained.

The applicant has requested to vacate the portion of the original alignment of Vigilante Road that encumbers a strip of land running through their property. The property is located just east of the intersection of the current alignment of Vigilante Road and State Route 67, within the Lakeside Community Plan Area in the unincorporated community of Lakeside. The property is zoned for high impact industrial and is intended to be used as an EDCO Disposal Operations Facility which includes commercial storage, parking, maintenance and repair of waste and recycling collection vehicles and associated bin and container storage. The high impact industrial zone allows unenclosed commercial and industrial operations. Although zoned for high impact industrial, a Site Plan is needed for a community design review. A Site Plan permit (STP-11-011) is in process with Planning & Development Services (PDS) to demonstrate compliance with the Lakeside Community Plan. The site is surrounded by other existing commercial and industrial uses. The vacated area is excess because the State of California relocated Vigilante Road when they constructed State Route 67.

Today's request is for the Board of Supervisors to adopt a Resolution to summarily vacate this portion of the original alignment of Vigilante Road, which is excess right-of-way not required for street or highway purposes.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find the proposed vacation is not subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15060(c)(2) and 15060(c)(3) because the action would result in the summary vacation of a public right-of-way easement that is not needed for public road purposes and will not have a reasonably foreseeable direct or indirect effect on the environment, and is therefore not a project subject to CEQA as defined in section 15378.
2. Adopt a Resolution entitled: RESOLUTION TO SUMMARILY VACATE A PORTION OF THE ORIGINAL ALIGNMENT OF VIGILANTE ROAD, IN THE LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PLAN AREA (VACATION NO. 2021-0231).
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to record the Resolution for Vacation No. 2021-0231 pursuant to State of California Streets and Highways Code Section 8336.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The removal of encumbrances from private lands that are no longer needed for public road purposes will provide an overall public benefit and improve the use of the land made available by the vacation. The proposed summary vacation is located in an industrial area and will allow parcel owners that were impacted by the encumbrances to better use their property. The existing surrounding road system will continue to supply adequate access for all properties located near the proposed vacation and the summary vacation would not preclude future development.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan in the Department of General Services. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$4,000 to process the proposed summary vacation. The funding source is a deposit from the applicant. 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 Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Resolution No. 22-131, entitled: RESOLUTION TO SUMMARILY VACATE A PORTION OF THE ORIGINAL ALIGNMENT OF VIGILANTE ROAD, IN THE LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PLAN AREA (VACATION NO. 2021-0231).

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

4. **SUBJECT: MCCLELLAN-PALOMAR AIRPORT - APPROVAL OF SIX LEASE AMENDMENTS FOR SCHEDULED RENT ADJUSTMENT ONLY (DISTRICT: 3)**

OVERVIEW

McClellan-Palomar Airport (Palomar) is located in the City of Carlsbad (Carlsbad) and is one of eight airports owned by the County of San Diego (County) and operated by the County Department of Public Works (DPW). The County airports system is operated, maintained, and improved using lease revenues and federal and State grant funding. Palomar was constructed on County-owned property, and when it opened in 1959, the surrounding area consisted mainly of agricultural uses. Over the last 60 years, light industrial, commercial, and recreational uses have developed around the airport. Carlsbad annexed the airport in 1978, citing economic benefits including significant tax revenues for Carlsbad and increased services for the region.

Today, the airport serves the community and region as a vital air transportation hub, an emergency services facility, and an economic engine that supports 2,590 local jobs and generates \$72 million in tax revenues and \$461 million in economic activity annually. Palomar has a commercial airline terminal building with seasonal service to Taos, New Mexico and Mammoth Lakes, California.

Palomar also provides aviation infrastructure, aircraft storage, maintenance, and services to corporate and general aviation users, including private and small commercial air transport operations and for hangar rentals, aircraft tie-downs, parts, supplies and repairs, and flight training. The leasing of airport land generates revenue for the Airport Enterprise Fund, which is used by DPW to ensure that all County airports are properly maintained and safe for airport users and the surrounding communities.

On December 11, 2002 (13), the Board approved a 30-year aviation lease with Palomar Airport Center, LLC dba Atlantic Aviation (Atlantic). On June 22, 2005 (6), the Board approved two 30-year aviation leases with SCIF Palomar, LLC, that were subsequently sold to Palomar Airport Road 2006, LLC dba Carlsbad Jet Center (CJC) on January 18, 2019. The Board extended the term for both Atlantic and CJC lessees by 10 years on December 6, 2006 (6), in exchange for lessee's investment in storm water infrastructure for Palomar. On June 13, 2007 (5), the Board approved three 40-year aviation leases at Palomar; one with BVP Associates, LLC, and two with Civic Helicopters, Inc. The BVP lease was subsequently sold to Royal Jet, Inc. on December 18, 2013.

These six leases require rent to be renegotiated every five years to keep current with market rates. The rent adjustments are scheduled to be effective on July 1, 2022, for Palomar Airport Road 2006, LLC, August 1, 2022, for Royal Jet, Inc. and Civic Helicopters, Inc., and January 1, 2023, for Palomar Airport Center LLC.

This is a request to approve the sixth amendment to lease for Contract Number 75630R with Palomar Airport Center, LLC, Contract Numbers 104566 and 104567 with Palomar Airport Road 2006, LLC, and Contract Number 121934 with Royal Jet, Inc.; the fifth amendment to lease for Contract Number 121962 with Civic Helicopters, Inc.; and the fourth amendment to lease for Contract Number 121961 with Civic Helicopters, Inc. These amendments will increase monthly rents to reflect market rates as negotiated and agreed to by the parties based on appraisals.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find in accordance with Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines that the proposed six lease amendments are categorically exempt from CEQA review as they consist of the leasing of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.
2. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute, upon receipt, three copies of the sixth amendment to the aviation lease with Palomar Airport Center, LLC (County Contract Number 75630) (**4 VOTES**).

3. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute, upon receipt, five copies of the sixth amendment to aviation lease with Palomar Airport Road 2006, LLC (County Contract Number 104566) (4 VOTES).
4. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute, upon receipt, five copies of the sixth amendment to aviation lease with Palomar Airport Road 2006, LLC (County Contract Number 104567) (4 VOTES).
5. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute, upon receipt, three copies of the sixth amendment to the aviation lease with Royal Jet, Inc. (County Contract Number 121934) (4 VOTES).
6. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute, upon receipt, three copies of the fifth amendment to the aviation lease with Civic Helicopters, Inc. (County Contract Number 121962) (4 VOTES).
7. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute, upon receipt, three copies of the fourth amendment to the aviation lease with Civic Helicopters, Inc. (County Contract Number 121961) (4 VOTES).

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

McClellan-Palomar Airport is one of eight airports, owned and operated by the County of San Diego (County), that provide vital air transportation hubs, emergency response facilities, and economic engines. The County pursues delivery of these services in a fair and equitable manner and actively works to remove barriers by providing information in multiple languages and via various means, encouraging participation and providing competitive opportunities for small businesses that traditionally have less working capital, and business owners and managers who may be socially and economically underserved.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 Operational Plan in the Department of Public Works, Airport Enterprise fund. If approved, this request will result in revenue of \$760,016 in FY 2022-23, which is an increase of \$7,784 over the current budgeted amount of \$752,232. It will also result in a revenue of \$760,548 in FY 2023-24. The funding source is rental payments from the lessees under the terms of the amended leases. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years required.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

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

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

5. SUBJECT: RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE INTEGRATED REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION FRAMEWORK AND DESIGN OF IMPLEMENTATION PLAYBOOK (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The global climate is changing, and the effects are felt acutely at the local level through higher frequency and intensity of extreme heat events, droughts, wildfires, storms, and sea level rise. Furthermore, the growing economic, social, and environmental impacts associated with a changing climate are causing immediate and long-term impacts to our ecosystems, food production, health, safety, jobs, businesses, and communities across the San Diego region, particularly in underserved populations that are impacted disproportionately.

In light of these realities, and in support of the County of San Diego's (County) commitment to sustainability and environmental justice, on January 27, 2021 (3), the County's Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Chief Administrative Officer to develop the Regional Decarbonization Framework (RDF), a guide to achieve zero carbon emissions for the region. The technical report of the RDF, drafted in partnership with the University of California San Diego (UC San Diego) School of Global Policy and Strategy and the University of San Diego (USD) School of Law's Energy Policy Initiatives Center (EPIC), includes strategies and initiatives to achieve zero carbon emissions in the region by mid-century to align with State targets of reaching carbon neutrality by 2045 or sooner under Governor Brown's Executive Order B-55-18.

Subsequent Board direction on July 14, 2021 (3) and November 17, 2021 (6) recognized the need for workforce development and implementation pathways to be included with the technical report, therefore, the integrated RDF has three key components: the technical report, the workforce development study, and the Implementation Playbook. The Implementation Playbook, previously referred to as the Implementation Pathways report will be an accessible resource for stakeholders which includes residents, local/regional governments, tribal governments, businesses, community, labor, and environmental organizations in the region looking to adopt and implement decarbonization policies, programs, and/or projects. The technical report and the workforce development study are now complete and available on our website: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/RDF>.

County staff are now transitioning from the education phase of outreach to the implementation phase of the RDF. The focus of the outreach and engagement going forward will be on the development of the Implementation Playbook, which will translate the technical findings of the RDF so far into implementable actions for our region to decarbonize. This outreach will begin in September 2022 and go through Spring 2023.

The Implementation Playbook will contain feasible policies, programs, and projects that can successfully reduce regional emissions and reach our region's collective zero carbon emissions goal by mid-century, while ensuring the creation of good green jobs and prioritizing implementation activities that are socially equitable. As an accessible resource to all stakeholders, the Implementation Playbook could next set up regional initiatives such as a regional tree planting assessment. In the long-term, we could also explore a Regional Climate

Action Plan. These regional initiatives would be voluntary efforts among local jurisdictions that want to participate in a joint effort, have quantified goals with timelines, and measure our collective progress toward them.

In Spring 2023, the final three components of the Integrated Regional Decarbonization Framework will be presented to the Board for consideration and adoption. This will include the approval of the final technical report, the final workforce development study, and the final Implementation Playbook. The playbook will include strategies and activities that are regional, multi-sectoral, and multijurisdictional. The playbook will be prepared with input from special topic working groups that will review criteria such as greenhouse gas emissions impact, public and private sector costs, and social equity considerations. In utilizing the Implementation Playbook, USD EPIC will provide a set of options on actions that support the decarbonization of our unincorporated area.

Today's actions are for the Board to receive an update on the Integrated Regional Decarbonization Framework.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find that the proposed actions are not subject to CEQA per Section 15060(c)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, because receiving an update on the integrated Regional Decarbonization Framework is administrative in nature and is not a project as defined in CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5).
2. Receive the update on the Integrated Regional Decarbonization Framework.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Integrated Regional Decarbonization Framework (RDF) is centered on equity. The voices of communities impacted by environmental injustices were critical in the development of the technical, scientific reports and will continue to play an important role throughout the design and development of implementation actions, as the County continues its robust public outreach and engagement. To support this, the RDF project timeline has been expanded to Spring 2023 to allow for thorough and intentional community engagement in co-developing policies, programs, and projects for implementation in order to ensure they are equitable and improve outcomes for underserved and environmental justice communities impacted disproportionately by climate change.

FISCAL IMPACT

There are no fiscal impacts associated with this action. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years. There may be fiscal impacts associated with future related recommendations for which staff would return to the Board for consideration and approval.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The Integrated Regional Decarbonization Framework will provide a guiding framework for climate-related jobs and investments with innovative science and technological advancements, climate resiliency efforts, new renewable energy generation and storage projects, clean technology in transportation and building systems, research and development in greenhouse gas (GHG) capture and storage, economic benefits from emissions reductions, and the associated high-quality job creation in the green economy.

ACTION:

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

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

6. **SUBJECT: ADVANCEMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES FOR COUNTY FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS AND THE UNINCORPORATED AREA IN SUPPORT OF THE REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION FRAMEWORK AND CLIMATE ACTION PLAN UPDATE (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

As a regional leader in addressing climate change, sustainability, and furthering the goals to reach zero carbon, the County of San Diego (County) has implemented programs and initiatives for County facilities and operations, as well as the unincorporated area. The San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) has directed action and established goals to advance sustainability, address climate change and equity, and promote workforce development in the region. As a result, County programs have conserved open space, preserved land for agricultural operations, installed bike lanes, reduced employee commute miles through telework, planted trees, converted County vehicles to zero emissions alternatives, reduced energy and water use at County facilities, increased renewable energy resources for County facilities and the community, and more.

On January 27, 2021 (3), the Board further advanced sustainability efforts by directing the preparation of the Regional Decarbonization Framework (RDF) to provide a roadmap for the San Diego region to achieve a zero-carbon emissions future. The RDF, and the County's upcoming Climate Action Plan Update (CAP Update) will be valuable tools guiding County actions toward achieving net zero emissions in County facilities and operations and throughout the unincorporated area. Both position the County as a sustainability leader within the region, State, and nation.

In addition, on April 26, 2022 (24), the Board requested staff provide an update on how the County operations' energy load could be procured from renewable energy sources through direct access agreements, rooftop solar, or other renewable sources. Direct Access is a State program that allows entities like the County to purchase their electricity and natural gas from third party "energy service providers" instead of San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E). The recently implemented Zero Carbon Portfolio Plan for County facilities directly addresses the Board's request and is further described below.

To reach the aspirational goal of zero carbon emissions throughout the region, the County must align with the RDF. This begins by analyzing opportunities to push existing plans, programs, and policies further to facilitate decarbonization of the electric grid, buildings, and transportation networks, while also sequestering carbon through natural solutions and evaluating food systems and the circular economy. The term, circular economy, is defined in federal law as “an economy that uses a systems-focused approach and involves industrial processes and economic activities that (A) are restorative or regenerative by design; (B) enable resources used in such processes and activities to maintain their highest values for as long as possible; and (C) aim for the elimination of waste through the superior design of materials, products, and systems (including business models)”. Stakeholders have also expressed a desire for the County to expedite sustainability initiatives in response to the climate crisis.

The County’s existing plans, programs, and policies have resulted in significant greenhouse gas (GHG) reductions and advancements in enterprise sustainability to date. This will be discussed in more detail in the Background section.

The adoption of the RDF in 2023 will help the Board to identify the County’s own next steps toward decarbonization while working with other entities in the region on ways to get the job done regionally. Subsequently, the CAP Update will be presented to the Board in 2024, cementing the plan as one of the County’s most robust tools for decarbonization for the unincorporated area and for County facilities and operations throughout the region.

However, since climate change continues to intensify and the development of the RDF and CAP Update takes time, staff are presenting updates on items we are working on currently, and actions that can be taken now. These actions show how the County can align with the regional decarbonization effort with projects and plans that could also be replicated by other local jurisdictions in the future.

Today’s action is for the Board to receive an information update on the County Facilities Plan:

County Facilities Plan:

1. County Facilities Zero Carbon Portfolio Plan

- Provides six measures that result in County operational emissions being reduced by 90% from a 2008 baseline. This plan, which focuses on County facilities and has been in place since April of 2022, replaces and updates the prior Zero Net Energy Portfolio Plan. Key measures in the plan include using Direct Access contracts and local Community Choice Aggregators (CCAs) where feasible to convert all County electricity accounts to 100% renewable electricity by 2030. CCAs are state authorized entities made up of local cities and counties that can purchase and/or generate electricity for the residents and businesses located within their boundaries. Additionally, the plan seeks significant funding to convert natural gas equipment in existing County facilities to electric alternatives. Further measures include continuing to build all new County facilities to be Zero Net Energy and all electric, continuing energy management efforts and efficiency projects, and purchasing an SDG&E owned 600 kilowatts (kW) solar project located at the County Operations Center (COC).

Today's action is also for the Board to provide input, direction, and/or funding on the five items presented below:

Community-Oriented Programs and Reports:

1. Equity-Driven Tree Planting Program in the unincorporated area
 - a. Develop a program to identify priority sites for tree planting on County-owned land and explore opportunities to develop a tree adoption program for privately owned lands in unincorporated communities, with a focus on underserved areas. The program will reduce the urban heat island effect, increase climate resiliency, and reduce GHG emissions.
2. Pilot Carbon Farming Program in the unincorporated area
 - a. Develop a carbon farming program in the unincorporated area, that can be used as a regional model, to encourage adoption and local scalability of carbon farming practices that account for GHG emissions reductions and promote soil health. Carbon farming refers to a suite of different farming techniques that increase the rate at which carbon is sequestered into the soil and plants. The program will identify relevant practices by crop and agricultural type, along with existing data and gaps, and will determine the actions the County can take to incentivize and support agricultural practices.
3. Energy Resiliency and Equity Report
 - a. Prepare a report that examines rural communities in the unincorporated area for vulnerabilities due to heat impacts, power safety shutoffs, and/or utility costs due to economic conditions. The report will result in recommendations for new programs/incentives to strengthen critical infrastructure through the addition of new clean energy or related solutions (e.g., incentivize or subsidize electric generators, install solar EV charging infrastructure, provide emergency EV transportation services, expand options at cooling centers and other critical services, and offer rebates for air conditioning equipment).
4. Existing Building Electrification Options Report
 - a. Prepare a report of the existing building stock of privately owned residential, commercial, and industrial buildings within the unincorporated area to understand existing conditions, fuel infrastructure and number of connections by type of energy currently used, and energy consumption characteristics. The report will evaluate challenges and barriers to electrifying existing buildings, accounting for local incomes and financial burdens, and climate zones and electrification effectiveness. The report will be used to evaluate options (e.g., rebates, incentives) to influence conversion of gas-powered infrastructure to electric options in existing buildings in the unincorporated area.

5. Hydrogen Fueling Station Report
 - a. Prepare a report to analyze current and future hydrogen fueling needs and demand for medium- and heavy-duty vehicles (i.e., trucks, buses, freight, construction equipment) in the unincorporated area to support regional fleets. Vehicles powered by hydrogen emit zero carbon emissions. This fuel is efficient for long distances, making it ideal for medium- and heavy-duty vehicles like buses or trucks. When paired with clean electricity sources, zero carbon emissions are generated from hydrogen fuel production and consumption. The report will identify high priority areas where hydrogen fueling stations could be efficiently located.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find that the proposed actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines because the proposed actions do not commit the County to any definitive course of action and there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. Subsequent actions would be reviewed pursuant to CEQA and presented to the Board for consideration prior to implementation.
2. Receive an update on the item below:
 - a. County Facilities Zero Carbon Portfolio Plan.
3. Provide direction on any or all of the following items below:
 - a. Equity Driven Tree Planting Program for the unincorporated area: direct the CAO to solicit a consultant to develop the program once funding of \$50,000 has been identified for consultant support.
 - b. Pilot Carbon Farming Program: direct the CAO to develop the program and return to the Board with options for program implementation, including a list of identified pilot projects.
 - c. Energy Resiliency and Equity Report: direct the CAO to solicit a consultant to prepare the report once funding of \$100,000 has been identified for the consultant, which will result in recommendations that can inform the CAP Update measure development or other future planning efforts.
 - d. Existing Building Electrification Options Report: direct the CAO to solicit a consultant to prepare the report once funding of \$150,000 has been identified for the consultant, which will result in recommendations that can inform the CAP Update measure development or other future planning efforts.
 - e. Hydrogen Fueling Report: direct the CAO to solicit a consultant to prepare the report once funding of \$100,000 has been identified for the consultant, which will result in recommendations that can inform the CAP Update measure development or other future planning efforts.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

County initiatives such as the RDF and CAP Update prioritize environmental justice and equity as directed by the Board. County staff have conducted stakeholder outreach and engagement throughout the preparation of the CAP Update and RDF. Through this outreach, diverse stakeholder groups have urged the County to make sustainability initiatives a priority to address the climate crisis as soon as possible.

Activities identified within this Board Letter will advance the RDF and CAP Update efforts and facilitate immediate and future implementation of climate change mitigation, adaptation, and resiliency activities. These projects align with the Board's Equity Strategic Initiative and will continue to be informed by community input that is centered on equity and climate change impacts experienced by the most vulnerable communities within the unincorporated area.

For outreach to be transparent and accessible, notices will be translated into County threshold languages, Spanish simultaneous-interpretation services will be available for attendees at County-led workshops, and interpretative services in other languages such as Somali, Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), Korean, Persian (including Farsi, Dari), Tagalog (including Filipino) and Vietnamese, can be provided upon request, and translation services for online documents will be provided by Google Translate.

FISCAL IMPACT

Department of General Services

There is no direct fiscal impact as a result of today's requested action to receive the County Facilities Zero Carbon Plan (action #1 in the list below). Costs for the implementation have yet to be identified and may be included in future Operational Plans, pending availability of funding. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

Planning and Development Services

Funds for the proposed five community-based actions (actions b through f in the table below) related to supporting the achievement of the RDF goals and supporting the development of new CAP measures for inclusion in the CAP Update are not included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 Operational Plan in Planning & Development Services (PDS). If approved, this request will result in costs up to \$400,000 in for consultant services and staff time for the development and study preparation of the proposed five actions. Pending availability of funding and Board direction, PDS will make budget requests in future Operational Plans. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

The following table summarizes the fiscal impact for each of the six proposed actions.

Action Title	Activity Type	County Staff Costs	Other Costs
a. County Facilities Zero Carbon Portfolio Plan	Plan	No impact; existing staff will be utilized	Significant costs necessary to implement plan starting in FY2023-24; however, no funding being requested currently. Funding requests will be pursued via the annual budget process beginning in FY2023-24.
b. Equity-Driven Tree Planting Program	Program	No impact; existing staff will be utilized	\$50,000 for consultant support
c. Pilot Carbon Farming Program	Program	No impact; existing staff will be utilized	N/A
d. Energy Resiliency and Equity Report	Report	No impact; existing staff will be utilized	\$100,000 for consultant report
e. Existing Building Electrification Options Report	Report	No impact; existing staff will be utilized	\$150,000 for consultant report
f. Hydrogen Fueling Report	Report	No impact; existing staff will be utilized	\$100,000 for consultant report
Total request pending availability of funding			\$400,000

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The following table summarizes the business impact for each of the six proposed actions.

Action Title	Activity Type	Business Impact
a. County Facilities Zero Carbon Portfolio Plan	Plan	Implementing this plan will result in additional opportunities for local and regional contractors to compete for resulting County projects.
b. Equity -Driven Tree Planting Program	Program	Increased demand for trees will likely drive local nursery market production.
c. Pilot Carbon Farming Program	Program	Investment in agricultural production economy for the implementation of carbon farming practices.
d. Energy Resiliency and Equity Report	Report	The scope of the report will not directly impact business activities, but it could lead to future action to increase demand of air conditioners, generators, and other energy related equipment.
e. Existing Building Electrification Options Report	Report	The scope of the report will not directly impact business activities, but it could lead to future action to increase the demand of electric based appliances and associated energy infrastructure.

f. Hydrogen Fueling Report	Report	The scope of the report will not directly impact business activities, but it could lead to future action that would create opportunities for hydrogen fueling station construction.
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ACTION:

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

1. Found that the proposed actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines because the proposed actions do not commit the County to any definitive course of action and there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. Subsequent actions would be reviewed pursuant to CEQA and presented to the Board for consideration prior to implementation.
2. Received an update on the County Facilities Zero Carbon Portfolio Plan.
3. Provided direction on the following items below:
 - a. Equity Driven Tree Planting Program for the unincorporated area: directed the Chief Administrative Officer to solicit a consultant to develop the program once funding of \$50,000 has been identified for consultant support.
 - b. Pilot Carbon Farming Program: directed the Chief Administrative Officer to develop the program and return to the Board with options for program implementation, including a list of identified pilot projects.
 - c. Energy Resiliency and Equity Report: directed the Chief Administrative Officer to solicit a consultant to prepare the report and initiate development of options for pilot programs/incentives, which will result in recommendations that can inform the CAP Update measure development or other future planning efforts, including alignment with the RDF Jobs Report.
 - d. Existing Building Electrification Options Report: directed the Chief Administrative Officer to solicit a consultant to prepare the report and initiate development of options for pilot programs/incentives that can inform the CAP Update measure development and all-electric new construction or other future planning efforts, including alignment with the RDF Jobs Report.
 - e. Hydrogen Fueling Report: directed the Chief Administrative Officer to leverage the SDG&E EV Gap Analysis to understand potential needs for hydrogen fueling in the unincorporated area and solicit a consultant to prepare the report, which will result in recommendations that can inform the CAP Update measure development or other future planning efforts.
4. Directed the Chief Administrative Officer to work with the Department of Human Resources to bring back a report to the Board on what it would take to build the internal capacity and establish new job classifications within the County of San Diego to be competitive with the private sector.

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

**7. SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:
ORGANIC MATERIALS ORDINANCE UPDATE: ADVANCEMENT
OF SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES IN SUPPORT OF THE
REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION FRAMEWORK AND CLIMATE
ACTION PLAN (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego Board of Supervisors (Board) has adopted several plans and initiatives to encourage best practices in waste diversion. These efforts are designed to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, use local resources efficiently, and reduce the need for new landfills. The County's plans also meet or exceed the waste diversion goals of the many related State laws enacted in recent years.

In 2017, the Board voted to implement the Department of Public Works' Strategic Plan to Reduce Waste in response to Board direction that staff develop a strategy to increase the County's waste diversion rate to 75% by 2020 and Zero Waste (90%) or greater by 2040. To advance these efforts, the Board increased the waste diversion goal to 80% by 2030 through the 2018 Climate Action Plan (CAP).

On January 27, 2021 (3), the Board further advanced sustainability efforts by directing the preparation of the Regional Decarbonization Framework (RDF) to provide a roadmap for the San Diego region to achieve a zero carbon emissions future. The RDF analyzes four decarbonization sectors: electrical grid, building energy use, transportation networks, and natural climate solutions (e.g., carbon sequestration by trees). Through the development of the RDF, a fifth decarbonization sector was added for food systems and circular economy (i.e., a model of production and consumption that promotes longevity and reuse of materials) to assess the role of agriculture and our food system in GHG reductions. Examples of food system and circular economy activities that achieve GHG reductions include supporting local produce or recycling and reuse of materials.

On May 5, 2021 (10), the Board adopted amendments to the existing County Solid Waste Ordinance and replaced its existing Non-Exclusive Solid Waste Management Agreement with an updated Non-Exclusive Franchise Agreement to expand performance standards and new program requirements for organics and recycling management. This complies with State requirements such as the Short-Lived Climate Pollutant Reduction Law (Senate Bill 1383) enacted to reduce environmental impacts caused by the release of methane emissions from the decomposition of organic materials in landfills, and engages franchise waste haulers in achieving the County's waste diversion goals. To further support the County's waste diversion goals, the Department of Planning & Development Services (PDS) and the Department of Public Works (DPW) have developed the Organic Materials Ordinance Update project (Project) to help divert additional organic materials (e.g., food, plant, and agricultural materials) from landfills by making organic materials processing (i.e., production of compost) easier within the unincorporated areas of the county.

The Project's primary purpose is to develop a uniform and comprehensive set of organic materials processing standards that will eliminate the need for organic materials processing permits in some cases or make permitting easier and less expensive through an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance and Code of Regulatory Ordinances. These changes will alter organic materials management within the unincorporated areas of the county to increase the number and efficiency of processing operations, support diversion of materials from landfills, improve reuse, expand access to finished compost, and promote public and environmental health and safety.

The Project will benefit residents, farmers, community gardeners, and commercial composters by providing more sustainable options to discard organic materials (e.g., food waste, plant, and agricultural materials) and pick up processed materials (i.e., compost). In particular, it will help support residents, local farms, and community gardens by expanding opportunities for onsite composting at these locations. The Project will increase organic material processing opportunities and the production of high-quality compost, which is a nutrient rich product composed of a variety of broken-down materials that supports water retention and aeration. It will reduce barriers to organic material processing and partnerships between organic materials generators and processors, advance opportunities for economic growth, and increase opportunities for the County's agricultural workforce and operations.

If approved, the Project will amend the County's Zoning Ordinance and Code of Regulatory Ordinances to reduce barriers (e.g., lowering permit requirements and associated costs) and expand allowances (e.g., increasing allowable composting practices and increasing areas where composting can occur) for organic materials processing in the unincorporated areas of the county. This includes expanding the locations within the unincorporated areas where organic material processing may occur, reducing associated permits and regulations while still protecting public health and safety, and clearly defining which organic material processing practices are allowed and where commercial sales of compost products may occur. Details of the existing regulations and proposed changes are described in the Background and Project Analysis sections of this document. The updates will align local requirements with State procedures to reduce the regulatory paperwork and associated time and costs for potential permit applicants. These changes will also help to improve market conditions for finished compost (i.e., broken down organic material that can be added to soil to help plants grow) by streamlining access to organic materials and removing barriers to processing them.

This is a request for the Board to consider and adopt amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Code of Regulatory Ordinances to implement the Project. Adoption of the ordinance requires two actions. Today, it is requested that the Board approve the introduction of the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Code of Regulatory Ordinances. If the Board takes action today, then on September 14th, the Board may adopt the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Code of Regulatory Ordinances.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find on the basis of the whole record that there is no substantial evidence that the proposed project will have a significant effect on the environment. Consider the Negative Declaration on file with the Department of Planning & Development Services as Environmental Review Number (PDS2020-POD-20-015; PDS2020-ER-20-00-001) together with the comments received during the public review and adopt it, finding that it reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the Board of Supervisors.
2. Approve the introduction of the Ordinances (first reading), read the titles, and waive further readings of the Ordinances, titled:
AN ORDINANCE TO ADD SECTION 6977, AMEND SECTION 6902, AND AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE REGULATORY CODE (CROSS REFERENCES) PERTAINING TO ORGANIC MATERIAL PROCESSING (ATTACHMENT A).

If, on August 31, 2022, the Board of Supervisors takes action as recommended, then on September 14, 2022:

Consider and adopt the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance and Code of Regulatory Ordinances related to organic material management (second reading) (Attachment A).

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Organic Materials Ordinance Update (Project) prioritizes equity in alignment with the County's Strategic Initiatives relating to health, economic opportunity, and workforce empowerment. The Project has been shaped by robust community input from stakeholders throughout the unincorporated area of the county to guide changes to the Zoning Ordinance and Regulatory Code of Ordinances that will serve the community and the agriculture economy. The Project will drive economic growth and development (e.g., lowering permit requirements and associated costs, increasing allowable composting practices, and increasing areas where composting can occur) for individuals interested in the commercial processing of organic materials and the production of high-quality compost. It will reduce barriers to organic material processing opportunities and partnerships, advance opportunities for economic growth, and increase opportunities for the County's agricultural workforce and operations.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the ordinance amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Code of Regulatory Ordinances (Project) as presented today. Funds for the Project were included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan in Planning & Development Services (PDS). There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years. The Project will decrease permit requirements and expand where organic materials processing operations may occur. It is anticipated that there will be more permit applications; however, PDS's cost recovery model establishes that staff time associated with permit applications is covered by the applicant and that fees associated with permits will adequately cover increased staff time related to increased applications.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

Per San Diego County Code (Sec 68.501), all organic material generators (e.g., residents, farmers, commercial businesses) in the unincorporated area of San Diego county are required to comply with recycling requirements of the County Code as it pertains to the management of solid waste, recyclable materials, and organic waste. These requirements align with State regulations, including separating and recycling organic materials. For many generators, this has resulted in increased service costs.

Actions associated with the amendment to the County's Solid Waste Ordinance adopted by the Board on May 5, 2021 (10) created alternatives for organic material hauling. Generators of organic materials may opt-out of the organic material hauling service requirements by managing materials on their site or self-hauling, which can reduce costs. Today's action will support cost reductions by increasing allowances for the organic material management within the agricultural community, for example, allowing farmers to partner with other farmers to manage materials with no permits or more streamlined permitting processes and allowing more organic materials processing throughout the unincorporated area. This will allow for more locations to receive self-hauled materials. This action will reduce costs for farmers to purchase and transport compost to their site, provide farmers a new revenue opportunity by allowing the sale of the resulting nutrient-rich compost on agricultural properties, and provide more opportunities for commercial composting overall.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Anderson, the Board of Supervisors closed the Hearing and took action as recommended.

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

8. SUBJECT: PUBLIC COMMUNICATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

Michael Brando spoke to the Board regarding narcissistic individuals.

Audra spoke to the Board regarding individual rights and equality.

Terri-Ann Skelly spoke to the Board regarding support for Proposition 31 to ban flavored tobacco.

Consuelo spoke to the Board regarding individual rights.

Barbara Gordon spoke to the Board regarding the negative impacts of marijuana addiction.

Becky Rapp spoke to the Board regarding concerns of commercialization of marijuana.

Diane Grace spoke to the Board regarding the effects of drug addiction.

Truth spoke to the Board regarding Supervisor Desmond's comments on the SANDAG regional plan.

Kelly McCormick spoke to the Board regarding the health effects of marijuana use.

Ann Riddle spoke to the Board regarding national youth groups concerned with marijuana use.

Peggy Walker spoke to the Board regarding stopping the distribution of drugs in communities.

ACTION:

Heard, Referred to the Chief Administrative Officer.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 1:33 pm.

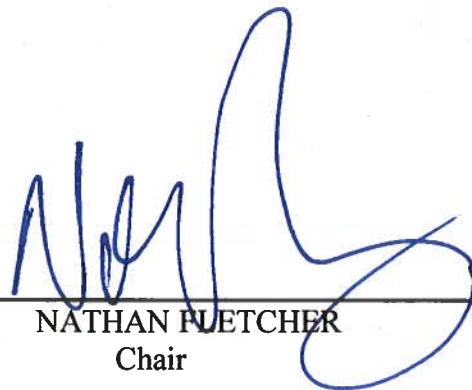
ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Diego, State of California

Consent: Perez

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 Wednesday, September 14, 2022.



NATHAN FLETCHER
Chair

Attest:



ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board

08/31/2022