



County of San Diego Board of Supervisors Statement of Proceedings

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Tuesday, September 15, 2026
9:00 a.m.

General Legislative Session &
San Diego County Fire Protection District

Wednesday, September 16, 2026
9:00 a.m.

Land Use Legislative Session &
Sanitation District

County Administration Center
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Statement of Proceedings

General Legislative Session & San Diego County Fire Protection District

Tuesday, September 15, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

A. Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

PRESENT: Supervisors Terra Lawson-Remer, Chair; Monica Montgomery Steppe, Vice-Chair; Paloma Aguirre, Chair Pro Tem; Joel Anderson; Jim Desmond; also, Andrew Potter, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

B. Opening Ceremonial Matters

1) Invocation was led by Reverend Melissa Tucker.

2) Pledge of Allegiance was led by K.C. Strang.

3) Presentations or Announcement of Proclamations and Awards:

Chair Terra Lawson-Remer presented a proclamation declaring the Month of September 2026, to be San Diego Hunger Awareness Month throughout the County of San Diego.

Vice-Chair Monica Montgomery Steppe presented a proclamation declaring September 15, 2026, to be Andrew Strong Day throughout the County of San Diego.

Vice-Chair Monica Montgomery Steppe and Chair Pro Tem Paloma Aguirre presented a proclamation declaring the Month of September 2026, to be Latinx Heritage Month throughout the County of San Diego.

Chair Pro Tem Paloma Aguirre presented a proclamation declaring September 15, 2026, to be CETYS Universidad Day throughout the County of San Diego.

Supervisor Joel Anderson presented a proclamation declaring the Month of September 2026, to be Biodiversity Month throughout the County of San Diego.

Supervisor Jim Desmond presented a proclamation declaring September 15, 2026, to be San Marcos Prevention Coalition Day throughout the County of San Diego.

C. Non-Agenda Public Comment

Individuals can address the Board on topics within its jurisdiction that are not on the agenda. According to the Board's Rules of Procedure, each person may speak at only one Non-Agenda Public Comment session per meeting. Speakers can choose to speak during either the General Legislative or Land Use Legislative Session.

Michael Anthony spoke regarding alleged civil rights violations and disability-related concerns in the Superior Court, East County, Department One.

Allegedly Audra commented on her perception of government as organized crime and expressed criticism of Board actions and prior Board members.

Paul the Bold commented on Public Records Act responses related to Edgemoor facilities and expressed concern about County record-recordkeeping and culture issues.

Consuelo expressed opposition to government spending, bike lanes, child welfare systems, and alleged systemic problems in government, emphasizing impacts on families and veterans.

Madison commented on biodiversity and expressed concerns that County green energy policies may negatively affect the environment and residents in unincorporated areas.

Kathleen Lippitt expressed concerns that County Green energy policies may negatively affect the environment and residents in unincorporated areas.

Becky Rapp spoke about the socially equitable cannabis program, planning group input, and concerns regarding environmental and public health impacts in sensitive areas, emphasizing the role of planning groups.

Truth Tonix spoke regarding perceived corruption, criticisms of several Supervisors and County executives, and referenced public records and Edgemoor issues, expressing distrust of government communications and oversight.

Hecter Oh discussed fire season preparedness, suggested verifying the operability of reservoirs and fire hydrants, and recommended coordination with Homeland Security and the military for fire and flood responses.

Terri-Ann Skelly expressed concerns about tobacco, cannabis co-use, and secondhand smoke exposure in public spaces, and suggested protective policies to reduce youth exposure to smoke and vaping products.

Peggy Walker described findings from a statewide assessment of retailers selling unauthorized psychoactive products and urged local governments to address sales of such products near schools, including nuisance declarations for smoke shops selling psychotropic products.

ACTION:

Heard, referred to the Chief Administrative Officer.

D. Approval of Statements of Proceedings/Minutes

Approval of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the sessions of September 1, 2026, and September 2, 2026, and minutes for concurrent Special District meetings of San Diego County Fire Protection District for June 24, 2026, and June 25, 2026.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors approved the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the sessions of September 1, 2026, September 2, 2026, San Diego County Fire Protection of June 24, 2026, and June 25, 2026.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

E. Agenda Items

1. Sheriff - Revenue Agreement with the California Department of State Hospitals for Security for Early Access and Stabilization Services (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Sheriff:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to accept and execute upon receipt a nine-month revenue contract between the County of San Diego and Liberty Health Services, Inc. for security services while on-site incompetent to stand trial services are being performed at County jails for the period of October 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027.
- 2) Authorize the Sheriff to execute all required contract documents, including any extensions, amendments, or revisions thereof that do not materially impact either the program or funding level.
- 3) Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery, which requires docketing Revenue Contracts with the Board of Supervisors at least 60 days prior to the effective date of the contract.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

2. Request for a Single Source Procurement for a New Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) for Continued Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, approve and authorize the Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting to enter into negotiations with California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) and subject to successful negotiations and a determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for fire protection and emergency medical services and operating goods effective July 1, 2027, with an initial term of three years and two option years and an additional six months if needed, through December 31, 2032, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to requirements and funding.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

3. Adoption of the Updated County of San Diego Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Adopt the updated County of San Diego Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan, as approved by the Unified San Diego County Emergency Services Organization.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

4. Adopt the San Diego County Regional Fuel Contingency Plan (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Adopt the County of San Diego Regional Fuel Contingency Plan, as approved by the Unified Disaster Council.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

5. Authorize Certification Statement for California Children’s Services Program (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board, or designee, to execute, upon receipt, the Fiscal Year 2027-2028 through Fiscal Year 2031-2032 State California Children’s Services Certification Statements.
- 2) Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to apply for any additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, to support programs and services that improve the health and well-being of children.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

6. Authorize Acceptance Of California Department Of Transportation Funding For Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Award (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for cost recovery for grants.
- 2) Authorize the acceptance of \$700,000 in grant funds from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the period of September 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029, for the Sustainable Transportation Planning Program.
- 3) Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute all required grant documents, upon receipt, including any annual extensions, amendments, and/or revisions thereto that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.
- 4) Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to apply for additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, to support chronic disease prevention and management efforts.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

7. Approve Submission of the Refugee Support Services Plan for Federal Fiscal Years 2027-2029 and Adopt the Related Resolution (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Approve submission of the Federal Fiscal Years 2027-2029 Refugee Support Services Plan to the California Department of Social Services, Refugee Programs Bureau and authorize submittal of revisions by the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, when required by changes in funding or services.
- 2) Adopt the Resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO REFUGEE SUPPORT SERVICES PLAN FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2027 THROUGH FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2029.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, and adopted Resolution No. 26-117, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO REFUGEE SUPPORT SERVICES PLAN FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2027 THROUGH FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2029.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

8. Approve the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Appropriation Limit for the County of San Diego (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Adopt the Resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO ADOPTING AN APPROPRIATION LIMIT FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, and adopted Resolution No. 26-118, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO ADOPTING AN APPROPRIATION LIMIT FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

9. Approve Property Tax Rates for Fiscal Year 2026-27 (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Adopt the resolution entitled: “A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ADOPTING THE PROPERTY TAX RATES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2026” (Attachment A, on file with the Clerk of the Board) incorporating the various rates as computed by the Auditor and Controller for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, and adopted Resolution No. 26-119, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ADOPTING THE PROPERTY TAX RATES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2026.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

10. Approving the Issuance of Bonds by the California Municipal Finance Authority to Finance or Refinance the Acquisition of and Improvements at Promenade Apartments (District: 4)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Adopt a Resolution entitled:
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY EXEMPT FACILITY BONDS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT AND EQUIPPING OF PROMENADE APARTMENTS.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, and adopted Resolution No. 26-120, entitled: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY EXEMPT FACILITY BONDS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT AND EQUIPPING OF PROMENADE APARTMENTS.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

11. Approving the Issuance and Reissuance of Bonds by the California Municipal Finance Authority to Finance or Refinance the Acquisition of and Improvements at Seaward Affordable Apartments (District: 1)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

1) Adopt a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE ISSUANCE AND REISSUANCE OF CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY EXEMPT FACILITY BONDS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING AND/OR REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPPING OF A QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECT TO BE KNOWN AS SEAWARD AFFORDABLE APARTMENTS.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, and adopted Resolution No. 26-121, entitled: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE ISSUANCE AND REISSUANCE OF CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY EXEMPT FACILITY BONDS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING AND/OR REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPPING OF A QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECT TO BE KNOWN AS SEAWARD AFFORDABLE APARTMENTS.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

12. Approve 11 Conflict of Interest Codes Submitted by County Departments and Local Agencies for the Required Biennial Review (Districts: All)

Recommendation(s) by Chief Administrative Officer:

1) Approve the amended Conflict of Interest Codes adopted by the following County departments (Attachment A):

- o Civil Service Commission
- o County Technology Office

2) Approve the amended Conflict of Interest Codes adopted by the following agencies (Attachment B):

- o Guajome Park Academy
- o Helix Water District
- o Iftin Charter School
- o Lakeside Fire Protection District
- o Metropolitan Transit System
- o Pacific Coast Academy
- o Rainbow Municipal Water District
- o San Elijo Joint Powers Authority

- o Vista Irrigation District

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

13. Second consideration and adoption of Ordinance:

Adopt an Ordinance to Amend Rules and Duties for the Citizens' Law Enforcement Review Board and Approve Updated Rules and Regulations (September 1, 2026- First Reading; September 15, 2026- Second Reading Unless Ordinance is Modified on Second Reading) (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Consider and adopt the Ordinance (second reading):
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 340.7 AND 340.9 OF THE SAN DIEGO CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO THE ORGANIZATION AND DUTIES OF THE CITIZENS' LAW ENFORCEMENT REVIEW BOARD.
- 2) Approve the sunset review date of December 31, 2033 for this ordinance.
- 3) Pursuant to subparagraph (b) of section 340.7 of the San Diego Code of Administrative Ordinances, approve the August 6, 2026 amendments to the Citizens' Law Enforcement Review Board's Rules and Regulations.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, and adopted Ordinance No. 11023 (N.S.), entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 340.7 AND 340.9 OF THE SAN DIEGO CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO THE ORGANIZATION AND DUTIES OF THE CITIZENS' LAW ENFORCEMENT REVIEW BOARD.

AYES: Aguirre, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

NOES: Anderson

14. Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chair Terra Lawson-Remer:

- 1) Appoint Benjamin Maxwell to the Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board, Seat 20, to complete the unexpired term, set to expire May 1, 2027.

Recommendation by Chair Pro Tem Paloma Aguirre:

- 2) Appoint Rachel Morineau to Community Action Partnership Administering Board, Seat 1, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 3) Appoint Wilford Smith to the Community Action Partnership Administering Board, to Seat 6 from Seat 16, for a term to expire September 15, 2029.
- 4) Appoint Brandon Duran to the Community Action Partnership Administering Board, Seat 14, for a term set to expire September 15, 2029.
- 5) Appoint Andrew Cross to the County of San Diego HIV Planning Group, Seat 2, for a term set to expire September 15, 2030.
- 6) Appoint Tania Avalos-Bello to the County of San Diego HIV Planning Group, Seat 5, for a term set to expire September 15, 2030.
- 7) Appoint Esteban Duarte to the County of San Diego HIV Planning Group, Seat 42, to complete the unexpired term, set to expire January 07, 2029.
- 8) Appoint Angela Vito Cruz to the County of San Diego HIV Planning Group, Seat 44, to serve a term set to expire September 15, 2030.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

15. Communications Received (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Note and file.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

16. Receive Presentation on the Draft Economic Impact Study and Recommendations on the Tijuana River Sewage Crisis (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Receive a presentation with the draft preliminary findings of the Economic Costs and Impacts of the Tijuana River Sewage Crisis study in response to the Board's September 9, 2025 (17), direction.

ACTION:

The Board of Supervisors received a presentation with the draft preliminary findings of the Economic Costs and Impacts of the Tijuana River Sewage Crisis study in response to the Board's September 9, 2025 (17), direction.

17. Improving Care and Achieving Cost Savings by Insourcing Nursing Services at South Region Public Health Center and Polinsky Children's Center (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Supervisor Joel Anderson and Chair Pro Tem Paloma Aguirre:

- 1) Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to transition the immunization services at South Region Public Health Center, currently provided by University of California San Diego through contract 567121, to a model where services are provided by County staff, no later than December 31, 2026.
- 2) Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to transition the physical health services at Polinsky Children's Center, currently provided by Rady Children's Hospital through contract 563750, to a model where services are provided by County staff by December 31, 2026.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Aguirre, seconded by Supervisor Anderson, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

18. Strengthening Wage Theft Enforcement to Recover Stolen Wages and Protect Working Families (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chair Pro Tem Paloma Aguirre:

- 1) Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to implement an expanded enforcement strategy within the Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement that includes:
 - a. Increased investigative capacity to address wage theft complaints, including proactive, industry-targeted investigations in sectors with high rates of violations;
 - b. Enhanced enforcement of local and state labor standards; and
 - c. Targeted outreach that connects workers directly to enforcement, including:
 - i. Complaint intake and referral pathways that connect workers directly to the Wage Theft Enforcement Program and Workplace Justice Fund, through culturally competent, multilingual, and community-based outreach; and
 - ii. Engagement strategies tailored to workers and industries at heightened risk of wage theft, including partnerships with trusted community-based organizations and worker-serving institutions that can identify violations and refer cases for investigation.
- 2) Direct County Counsel, in coordination with the CAO and the Director of OLSE, to strengthen wage theft enforcement through enhanced legal coordination, including:
 - a. Streamlining referral processes between OLSE and the Office of County Counsel;
 - b. Expanding litigation pathways to pursue wage theft violations and recover unpaid wages; and
 - c. Identifying and assigning appropriate legal resources to support a more proactive and effective enforcement strategy.

- 3) Direct the CAO to evaluate opportunities to strengthen and expand the Wage Theft Enforcement Program and Workplace Justice Fund, including:
 - a. Identifying sustainable funding sources, such as penalties, fees, settlements, grants, and other revenue streams associated with wage theft enforcement;
 - b. Assessing strategies to increase access to these programs for workers with unpaid wage judgments;
 - c. Evaluating strategies to improve the efficiency and timeliness of employer-side collection and cost-recovery efforts as enforcement capacity expands; and
 - d. Identifying opportunities to align these programs with expanded enforcement efforts to maximize recovery and direct financial relief to impacted workers.
- 4) Direct the CAO to report back to the Board within 120 days with a written update on implementation of this Board action, including progress on staffing, enforcement, wages recovered and judgments collected, Wage Theft Enforcement Program and Workplace Justice Fund improvements, and any additional resource or policy recommendations for Board consideration.
- 5) Direct the CAO to express the County's support for Assembly Bill 1838, consistent with Board Policy M-2.
- 6) Refer to the Fiscal Year 2027-28 CAO Recommended Operational Plan the appropriation of \$300,000 of ongoing funding in the Chief Administrative Office, Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement (OLSE) based on General Purpose Revenue or other available funding source(s) and the addition of two staff years (2.0 full-time equivalent positions) to expand the County's capacity to investigate wage theft complaints, enforce labor standards, and recover unpaid wages owed to workers with both positions dedicated to enforcement functions, including investigation, case development, and judgment collection.
- 7) Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to identify up to \$150,000 one-time funding to increase capacity through temporary staffing in the Chief Administrative Office, Office of Ethics, Compliance and Labor Standards (OECLS) and return to the Board in a Fiscal Year 2026-27 quarterly status adjustment to transfer or establish necessary appropriations, contingent upon the identification of available funding in Fiscal Year 2026-27.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Aguirre, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe
NOES: Desmond

**19. Taking Deceptive Retailers to Court for Marketing Motorcycles to Kids as “E-Bikes”
(Districts: All)**

Recommendation by Chair Terra Lawson-Remer:

- 1) Direct the Chief Administrative Officer, in consultation with County Counsel, to pursue legal actions against manufacturers, distributors, and retailers marketing and selling illegal electric motorcycles as e-bikes, under state and federal law. Litigation options should include, but not be limited to actions arising under, California’s False Advertising Law, Unfair Competition Law, Consumers Legal Remedies Act, and public nuisance. This may also include joining statewide and national efforts, outreach to justice officials, and affirmative litigation strategies. Return to the Board in closed session on an ongoing basis every 90 days with updates on their efforts, and with options that the Board can consider for further direction.

ACTION:

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

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe

NOES: Desmond

**20. Receive a Presentation on the County of San Diego’s El Niño and Severe Weather Preparedness and Take Actions to Strengthen Community Preparedness
(Districts: All)**

Recommendations by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Receive a presentation on the County of San Diego’s El Niño and severe weather preparedness efforts.
- 2) Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to develop an enterprise-wide Severe Weather Community Preparedness Resource Hub and engagement strategy that strengthens access to preparedness resources, leverages community-based organizations and trusted messengers, addresses access and functional needs and other barriers, and incorporates community voice into preparedness efforts.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions:

- 1) Received a presentation on the County of San Diego’s El Niño and severe weather preparedness efforts.
- 2) Directed the Chief Administrative Officer to develop an enterprise-wide Severe Weather Community Preparedness Resource Hub and engagement strategy that strengthens access to preparedness resources, leverages community-based organizations and trusted messengers, addresses access and functional needs and other barriers, and incorporates community voice into preparedness efforts.

- 3) Directed the Chief Administrative Officer to return back to the Board of Supervisors on October 6 with the County of San Diego's plan to prepare for El Nino in the unincorporated areas that were impacted by the catastrophic flooding on January 22, 2024. This plan should include the following information:
- a) a one-page summary of what the County of San Diego learned from the flooding in January 2024 and what changes were made to the County of San Diego Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan as a result;
 - b) the current conditions of, and the maintenance schedule for, the existing drainage infrastructure at the following nine locations:
 - 1243 & 1247 Purdy Street, Spring Valley, CA 91977
 - 2117 Ildica Court, Spring Valley, CA 91977
 - 9602 Casa de la Torre Court, Casa de Oro, CA 91977
 - 3150 Rio Way, Spring Valley, CA 91977
 - 4362 & 4368 Edgewood Court, Casa de Oro, CA 91941
 - 9825 Dogwood Lane, Hidden Meadows, CA 92026
 - 8575 Los Coches Road, Lakeside, CA 92021
 - 2544 Buena Flores, Fallbrook, CA 92028
 - 402 Potter Street, Fallbrook, CA 92028;
 - c) how the County of San Diego will respond in the first 24 hours of an El Nino event, including when the AlertSanDiego.org website will be updated, when text alerts will be sent out, when and how the County will reach out to community partners, and when and where the first group of employees will be deployed to respond; and
 - d) what the County of San Diego will do to help individuals and families who do not have the financial means to prepare for potential flooding from an El Nino event.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

21. Enhancing Emergency Ambulance Transportation Services in the Grossmont Ambulance Operating Area (Districts: 1, 2, and 4)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Authorize the Director, San Diego County Fire, on behalf of the Chief Administrative Officer, to reach mutual termination with the Grossmont Hospital Corporation for management of emergency ambulance transportation services within the Grossmont Ambulance Operating Area.
- 2) Authorize the Director, San Diego County Fire, on behalf of the Chief Administrative Officer, to accept the transfer of the Grossmont Hospital Corporation contract with the ambulance provider and subsequently transfer the contract to the San Diego County Fire Protection District.

(Relates to San Diego County Fire Protection District item no. 25)

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

22. Receive Update on The Aging Roadmap San Diego County Regional Plan Fiscal Year 2025-26 Annual Report (Districts: All)

Recommendation by Chief Administrative Officer:

- 1) Receive update on the Aging Roadmap

ACTION:

The Board of Supervisors received the update on the Aging Roadmap.

23. Authorization to apply for the Community Resilience Centers Implementation Grant with the Partnership for the Advancement of New Americans for Global Village (District: 4)

Recommendation by Vice-Chair Monica Montgomery Steppe:

- 1) Waive Board Policy A-72 Agenda and Related Process, Section 2.C.2.ii, which establishes required timelines for review when preparing a Board Letter.
- 2) Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), or their designee, to partner with the Partnership for the Advancement of New Americans (PANA) as a co-applicant in the submission of a Community Resilience Centers (CRC) Round 2 Implementation Grant application to the California Strategic Growth Council (SGC) for the Global Village project, including the authority to conduct all negotiations, sign co-applicant certifications, apply for and accept grant funds, and execute all required grant documents, including any extensions or amendments thereof that do not materially impact or alter the grant programs or funding levels.
- 3) Authorize the CAO, or their designee, to support lead applicant PANA in the development and execution of all CRC Implementation Grant application components that require co-applicant involvement.
- 4) Authorize the CAO, or designee, upon selection for award, to execute all grant agreements, memoranda of understanding, and related documents with PANA and/or SGC, and execute all documents necessary to implement the County of San Diego's role as co-applicant and emergency management partner for the Global Village project, subject to availability of funds and consistent with CRC Program requirements.
- 5) Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery, which requires prior approval of grant applications and full cost recovery for grants.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Anderson, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

26. Closed Session (Districts: All)

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

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

Erin Di Giovanni v. County of San Diego;

San Diego Superior Court Case No.: 37-2022-00035051-CU-PO-CTL

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph 4 of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9: (Number of Cases - 1)

C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

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

Abel Shawn Bromley v. Andrew William Paulino, et al.;

San Diego Superior Court Case No.: 37-2024-00027348-CU-PA-CTL

D. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

(Government Code section 54957.6)

Designated Representative: Brandy Winterbottom

Employee Organizations: Deputy District Attorneys' Association, Deputy Sheriffs'

Association of San Diego County, District Attorney Investigators' Association, Public

Defenders' Association of San Diego County, San Diego County Probation Officers'

Association, San Diego County Supervising Probation Officers' Association, San Diego

Deputy County Counsels' Association, Service Employees International Union, Local

221 - CLC, Teamsters Local 986

ACTION:

The Board of Supervisors met in closed session on September 15, 2026, from 4:55 p.m. to 6:04 p.m. All Board members were present, except Supervisor Anderson was not present for Item 26-C.

The Board took the following reportable action:

On Item 26-B, by a vote of 5-0, the Board authorized County Counsel to initiate litigation.

Particulars about the litigation will be disclosed to any person upon inquiry, after litigation has formally commenced.

F. Special Districts

When the Board of Supervisors meets as the governing body of a special district, they are acting in a different capacity than during their regular County business. In this role, the Board makes decisions that apply only to that specific district, such as approving its budgets, projects, policies, and operations. These actions are legally separate from the Board's actions as the County of San Diego, and they apply only to the area and responsibilities of the special district.

Special Districts Consent Agenda

San Diego County Fire Protection District

24. Fire Safety Inspection Reporting for Fiscal Year 2025-26 (Districts: 1, 2, and 5)

Recommendation by Executive Director:

- 1) Receive San Diego County Fire's report of State-mandated inspections, as required by California Health and Safety Code Section 13146.4, within the San Diego County Fire Protection District
- 2) Adopt a resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TO ACCEPT THE REPORT OF THE COMPLETION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 FIRE INSPECTIONS

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Director Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Director Aguirre, the Board of Directors of the San Diego County Fire Protection District took action as recommended, on Consent, and adopted Resolution No. 26-122, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TO ACCEPT THE REPORT OF THE COMPLETION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 FIRE INSPECTIONS.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

Special Districts Discussion Items

San Diego County Fire Protection District

25. Enhancing Emergency Ambulance Transportation Services in the Grossmont Ambulance Operating Area (Districts: 1, 2, and 4)

Recommendation by Executive Director:

- 1) Waive Board Policy A-87 Competitive Procurement and authorize the Executive Director, San Diego County Fire Protection District, or their designee, to accept ownership of the existing ambulance transportation contract between the Grossmont Hospital Corporation and their private ambulance operator and take all necessary actions to amend the agreement for service enhancements to patients and include the County of San Diego's standard terms and conditions in the contract.

- 2) Approve and authorize the Executive Director, San Diego County Fire Protection District, or their designee, to execute a revenue agreement with the ambulance transportation provider(s) for the Grossmont Ambulance Operating Area in an amount up to \$0.5 million annually, for administrative oversight, service enhancements, community investment and collection of non-compliance penalties through June 30, 2038.
- 3) In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, in coordination with the Emergency Medical Services Office (EMS), acting as the Board of Supervisors-designated Local EMS Agency, to issue a Competitive Solicitation(s) for ambulance transportation services within the Grossmont Ambulance Operating Area, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for a term of five (5) years, with five (5), one (1)-year options and up to an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to services and funding, subject to the approval of the Executive Director, San Diego County Fire Protection District or their designee.

(Relates to Board of Supervisors item no. 21)

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Director Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Director Aguirre, the Board of Directors of the San Diego County Fire Protection District took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

G. Closing Reports and Recess

- 1) Board Member Committee Updates: This is an opportunity for Members of the Board to provide informational updates on their committee assignments. No action may be taken.
- 2) Recess to Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. for the Land Use Legislative Session

The Board of Supervisors recessed at 6:04 p.m., in memory of Gloria Steinem until Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. for the Land Use Legislative Session.

ANDREW POTTER

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

Notes By: 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. Generative artificial intelligence (AI) was utilized to assist in drafting portions of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes using the meeting's audio recording. All content produced through AI assistance underwent human review to ensure accuracy.