

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 07, 2013, 09:00 A.M
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NORTH CHAMBER
1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, ROOM 310, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

REVISION 1

- A. Roll Call
- B. 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.

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.

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Board of Supervisors' Agenda Items

Agenda # Subject

1. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:
ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY FOR THE SAN VICENTE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN RAMONA
[FUNDING SOURCE(S): ROAD FUND FUND BALANCE]
(4 VOTES)
2. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:
RANCHO CIELO SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENT; SAN DIEGUITO COMMUNITY PLAN AREA
3. ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE RAMONA GRASSLANDS PRESERVE PROJECT
4. SET HEARING FOR 9/11/13:
BORREGO SPRINGS – ACQUISITION OF 14.15 ACRES OF VACANT LAND ADJACENT TO BORREGO VALLEY AIRPORT (KOVACEVICH) (8/7/13 - SET HEARING; 9/11/13 – HOLD HEARING)
[FUNDING SOURCE(S): AIRPORT ENTERPRISE FUND]
5. DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY~~EXTINGUISH THREE EASEMENTS IN THE CREST-DEHESA AND NORTH COUNTY METRO COMMUNITY PLAN AREAS (DISTRICTS: 2 AND 5)~~

6. TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS (8/7/13-ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS; 9/11/13- SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE)

7. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:
HEARING TO CONFIRM FISCAL YEAR 2013-14 ASSESSMENTS IN THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT AND LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT ZONES NO. 1 AND NO. 2 – (6/19/13 – SET HEARING; 8/7/13 – HEARING)

NOTICE:
Unclaimed Security Deposits

The Clerk of the Board is seeking to refund several unclaimed tax security deposits to their rightful owners. These deposits were made with the Clerk of the Board between 2000 and 2007 are associated with the following developers:

- 4438 Mentone Condominiums
- 8940 Jamacha LLC
- Atlas Homes
- Brehm-Holly Oaks Associates LLC
- Camden Avenue LLC
- Valley Center Investments LLC

If you believe you are the rightful owner of these funds, please contact David Hall at the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors as soon as possible, but no later than September 23, 2013 at (619) 531-5432 or David.Hall@sdcounty.ca.gov.

1. **SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:
ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY FOR THE
SAN VICENTE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN
RAMONA (DISTRICT: 2)**

OVERVIEW:

The San Vicente Road Improvement project (“Project”) proposes widening an approximately 2.25-mile segment of San Vicente Road from Warnock Drive to just east of the intersection with Wildcat Canyon Road (2007 Thomas Guide page 1172-G3-4, H4-5, J5, and 1173-A5). The Project will improve line of sight for motorists, traffic operations, and storm-water conveyance to accommodate the 100-year flood. It will also enhance safety for bicyclists, pedestrians, and equestrians by installation of two bicycle lanes, a stabilized disintegrated granite pathway on the west and south side of the road, and a graded parkway on the east and north side of the road.

Construction of the Project requires acquisition of property rights from 31 privately-owned properties within the project area. The required property interests include road, slope/drainage, and temporary construction easements, which are partial acquisitions consisting of strips of property along the existing road and driveways. The project does not require any full takes nor does it impact any buildings. To date, 29 of the 31 property owners have signed real property contracts agreeing to sell the required interests to the County. All contracts were less than \$150,000 each and were approved by the Director, Department of General Services pursuant to Section 73 of the Administrative Code, which authorizes such approvals. County staff will continue to attempt to reach agreements with the two remaining owners, but the Project schedule requires that authority to commence actions in eminent domain be requested at this time. Depending upon the property acquisition process, the County expects that this project would be able to return to the Board in early 2014 for authorization to bid and award a construction contract.

On July 17, 2013 (7), the Board set a hearing for August 7, 2013 to consider adoption of a Resolution of Necessity to initiate an eminent-domain action for the remaining two unsigned parcels. The Board is requested to adopt the Resolution of Necessity for the San Vicente Road Improvement Project for the two remaining unsigned properties.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operational Plan in the Department of Public Works Detailed Work Program. The funding source is Road Fund fund balance. If approved, this request will result in a total cost of \$18,800, which represents the appraised value of the two unsigned parcels. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT:

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Find that the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the San Vicente Road Project, dated January 26, 2011, SCH No. 2009051044, on file with the Department of Public Works was prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, and that the decision making body has reviewed and considered the information contained therein prior to approving the project; and

Find that the currently proposed actions are within the scope of the FEIR; that there are no changes in the project or in the circumstances under which it is to be undertaken that would result in significant environmental impacts beyond those considered in the certified FEIR and no new information of substantial importance has become available since the FEIR was prepared. The proposed acquisitions are consistent with the FEIR certified on January 26, 2011.

2. Adopt a Resolution of Necessity for the San Vicente Road Improvement Project, for the following parcels: 2010-0213-A, B, C (Ohm) and 2010-0223-A, B, C (Simon). **(4 VOTES)**

2. **SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:
RANCHO CIELO SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENT; SAN
DIEGUITO COMMUNITY PLAN AREA (DISTRICT: 5)**

OVERVIEW:

Application date: June 28, 2005

This is a request for the Board of Supervisors to consider a revised development proposal within the Rancho Cielo Specific Plan (RCSP) and related amended actions. The applicant revised the project as a result of the direction received from the September 26, 2012 Board of Supervisors hearing and subsequent meetings with Planning & Development Services (PDS) staff, the San Dieguito Community Planning Group (SDCPG) and area residents. The project would result in the elimination of a parcel currently reserved for commercial and civic uses and a transfer of village estate units. The revisions that were made to the project since September 2012 consist of a reduction in the number of units from 42 to 24; a change to the product type from condominium to single family residences; a reduction in the zoning height from three stories to two stories; and an elimination of a site plan requirement for design review. The project would be accomplished by a Specific Plan Amendment and two Zone Reclassifications, Tentative Maps, and Site Plans. The case numbers for this project are: PDS2005-3813-05-004 (SPA), PDS2005-3100-5440 (TM), PDS2005-3600-05-010 (R), PDS2005-3500-05-043 (STP), PDS2005-3100-5441 (TM), PDS2005-3600-05-011 (R), PDS2005-3500-05-044 (STP), PDS2005-3910-86-06-026B (ER).

The RCSP encompasses approximately 2,668 acres and is located within the San Dieguito Community Plan (SDCP), north and west of Del Dios Highway, within the County of San Diego. The subdivisions are located on one parcel south of

Via Ambiente and one parcel north of Via Ambiente, north and west of El Brazo (2008 Thomas Guide Page 1148, H-6; 1149, A-4, A-5 and B-4, B-5).

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. Adopt the environmental findings included in Attachment B.
2. Adopt the Resolution entitled: RESOLUTION OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVING SPA 05-004 (Attachment C) for the reasons stated therein and discussed in this report.
3. Adopt the Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY, WITHIN THE RANCHO CIELO SPECIFIC PLAN AREA, IN THE SAN DIEGUITO COMMUNITY PLAN AREA, REF: R05-010 (Attachment D).
4. Adopt the Resolution entitled: RESOLUTION OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY CONDITIONALLY APPROVING TENTATIVE MAP NO. 5440RPL⁴, which includes those requirements and conditions necessary to ensure that the project is implemented in a manner consistent with state law and County of San Diego Regulations (Attachment E).
5. Grant Site Plan 05-043 and impose the requirements and conditions set forth in the Site Plan Form of Decision (Attachment F).
6. Adopt the Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY, WITHIN THE RANCHO CIELO SPECIFIC PLAN AREA, IN THE SAN DIEGUITO COMMUNITY PLAN AREA, REF: R05-011 (Attachment G).
7. Adopt the Resolution entitled: RESOLUTION OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY CONDITIONALLY APPROVING TENTATIVE MAP NO. 5441RPL⁴, which includes those requirements and conditions necessary to ensure that the project is implemented in a manner consistent with state law and County of San Diego Regulations (Attachment H).
8. Grant Site Plan 05-044 and impose the requirements and conditions set forth in the Site Plan Form of Decision (Attachment I).

9. Require Rancho Cielo Estates, Ltd., to enter into an agreement to defend and indemnify the County in accordance with San Diego County Code, Section 86.201, et. seq., within five days of project approval. If litigation is filed challenging the Board's action on this project, Rancho Cielo Estates, Ltd. shall provide security, within 14 days of said filing date, in the amount of \$250,000, in the form of an irrevocable letter-of-credit or bond. Both the indemnification agreement and the financial security shall be in a form acceptable to County Counsel.

3. SUBJECT: ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE RAMONA GRASSLANDS PRESERVE PROJECT (DISTRICT: 2)

OVERVIEW:

The Ramona Grasslands Preserve Project will create a 5.5-mile multi-use trail system that will connect to an existing 3.8 miles of trail within the Ramona Grasslands Preserve, providing the public with access to a total trail system of 9.3 miles. The proposed project also includes the construction of a crossing of Santa Maria Creek, a small staging area, and supporting infrastructure including a maintenance building, viewing pavilion/visitor kiosk and two volunteer pads. The project will implement the management directives identified in the Ramona Grasslands Preserve Resource Management Plan and will be constructed in phases. The project at Ramona Grasslands Preserve is located primarily just west of the Ramona Airport and east and north of Highland Valley Road in the unincorporated community of Ramona (2010 Thomas Guide pages 1152, B-5; 1151, G-4, G-7, and J7).

Today's requested action is to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Ramona Grasslands Preserve Project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's requested action to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration. A full fiscal impact statement will be included when this item is brought before the Board at a later date for approval to advertise and award a construction contract.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find, on the basis of the whole record, that there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment. Consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration dated February 4, 2013, together with the comments received during public review, and adopt it, finding that it reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the Board of Supervisors.

2. Adopt the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the project and direct the Director, Department of Parks and Recreation, to implement the mitigation measures identified.

**4. SUBJECT: SET HEARING FOR 9/11/13:
BORREGO SPRINGS – ACQUISITION OF 14.15 ACRES OF
VACANT LAND ADJACENT TO BORREGO VALLEY
AIRPORT (KOVACEVICH) (8/7/13 - SET HEARING; 9/11/13
– HOLD HEARING) (DISTRICT: 5)**

OVERVIEW:

On November 7, 2007 (13), the Board of Supervisors authorized the Director, Department of General Services to conduct negotiations to purchase properties offered by willing sellers to serve as buffers between County airports and privately-owned property. These buffer properties serve to protect approach and departure routes. A 14.15 acre vacant property adjacent to Borrego Valley Airport is currently listed for sale for \$20,000. It is located north of the Airport and west of Peg Leg Road, and is identified as Assessor’s Parcel Number 141-230-27 (Thomas Guide, page 1058, G1).

Today’s request requires two steps. On August 7, 2013, it is requested that the Board set a hearing for September 11, 2013, and provide public notice of the hearing. If the Board takes the actions recommended for August 7, 2013, then on September 11, 2013, after making the necessary findings, the Board is requested to approve the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions for the purchase of APN 141-230-27 from Michael K. Kovacevich, John J. Kovacevich, Jr., Jayne Ellen Kovacevich, and Mary Anne Kovacevich Bek for the appraised value of \$17,000, which the property owners have agreed to.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Operational Plan for the Airport Enterprise Fund. If approved, this request will result in a current year cost of \$18,500, including \$17,000 to purchase the land and \$1,500 for escrow and title fees. The funding source is the Airport Enterprise Fund. There will be no change in current year net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find that the proposed action to set a hearing to consider approving the purchase of Assessor’s Parcel Number 141-230-27, is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15060(c) of the CEQA Guidelines, as it is not a project as defined under Section 15378 of the CEQA Guidelines.

2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to publish the required Notice of Intention to Purchase in accordance with Government Code Sections 25350 and 6063.
3. Set a hearing for September 11, 2013, at which time the Board of Supervisors may consider approving the purchase of APN 141-230-27 for the appraised value of \$17,000 from Michael K. Kovacevich, John J. Kovacevich, Jr., Jayne Ellen Kovacevich, and Mary Anne Kovacevich Bek.

If, on August 7, 2013, the Board takes the actions recommended in Items 1-3 above, then on September 11, 2013:

1. Find in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines that the purchase of undeveloped land to maintain a buffer between Borrego Valley Airport and adjacent properties is not subject to CEQA review as it can be seen with certainty that it will not have a significant impact on the environment.
2. Approve and authorize the Director, Department of General Services to execute two originals of the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions for the purchase of APN 141-230-27 from Michael K. Kovacevich, John J. Kovacevich, Jr., Jayne Ellen Kovacevich, and Mary Anne Kovacevich Bek for the appraised value of \$17,000.
3. Authorize the Director, Department of General Services, or designee, to execute all escrow and related documents necessary to complete the purchase.

5. SUBJECT: DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY~~EXTINGUISH THREE EASEMENTS IN THE CREST-DEHESA AND NORTH COUNTY METRO COMMUNITY PLAN AREAS (DISTRICTS: 2 AND 5)~~

OVERVIEW:

The Real Estate Services Division of the Department of General Services is processing, on behalf of Planning & Development Services and ~~two~~ an applicants, a request to extinguish open space easements in the Crest-Dehesa ~~and North County Metro~~ Community Plan Areas that are no longer required for purposes of mitigation under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). ~~Three~~ Two easements were recorded in association with ~~two separate~~ a Tentative Parcel Maps. These map was ~~maps were~~ never finalized, and therefore the easements are no longer required for mitigation purposes.

The property owners originally submitted applications to vacate easements pursuant to the Streets and Highways Code and Board Policy I-103 Open Space Easement Vacations. The Streets and Highways Code vacation procedures is one process, among others, that gives the County authority to extinguish easements. Staff identified the easements could be removed in a more expeditious and cost effective manner by utilizing the authority of Government Code 25526.5 and Board Policy F-51: County Real Property Asset Management. This process requires that the real property or interest in real property be declared surplus to the County's needs. The subject easements are surplus to the County's needs because

they are not required as mitigation or for any other County purpose.

The easements involved include a biological open space and a limited building zone easement recorded in association with the proposed Kemerko Tentative Parcel Map (PDS2003-3200-20716). The easements were recorded prematurely, and the Tentative Parcel Map was never approved; therefore the easements are no longer required for mitigation purposes. ~~A third open space easement was recorded in association with the Julie Sun Tentative Parcel Map (TPM 16539) which was approved in 1981. A Parcel Map associated with this project was never finalized, and the Tentative Parcel Map has since expired. Therefore, the easement is no longer required for mitigation purposes.~~

The requested action for the Board today is to declare these two ~~three~~ easements surplus to the County's needs because they are not required as mitigation or for any other County purpose, thereby allowing the easements to be extinguished.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The applicants have placed ~~\$2,300-11,140~~ on deposit with the County which is the full cost to process the requested extinguishments. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from CEQA review pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3).
2. Declare easements 2007-0057475 and 2007-0057476, ~~and 85-485782~~ as surplus to County needs.

6. **SUBJECT: TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS (8/7/13 - ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS; 9/11/13 - SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE) (DISTRICTS: 2 & 5)**

OVERVIEW:

The Traffic Advisory Committee meets every six weeks to review proposed additions, deletions or changes to regulatory traffic controls. Ten items were on the Committee's June 7, 2013 meeting agenda. The Committee recommends your action on all 10 items.

Your action on Item 5-A would revise the County Code of Regulatory Ordinances and requires two steps. On August 7, 2013, the Board will consider the Traffic Advisory Committee items. If the Board takes action on August 7, 2013, then on September 11, 2013, a second reading of an Ordinance adding Section 72.143.13.4 to the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances would be necessary to

implement the Board's direction (Item 5-A).

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for this proposal are included in the Department of Public Works Road Fund Fiscal Year 2013-14 Approved Operational Plan. If approved, there will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

District 2

2-A. Julian Avenue, four locations between Prospect Avenue and Cactus Street (57th Edition Thomas Guide Page 1232, A4) Lakeside -- Establish the following parking prohibitions:

- 1) north side from Prospect Avenue to Channel Road;
- 2) south side from Prospect Avenue easterly 200 feet;
- 3) south side from Channel Road easterly 70 feet; and
- 4) south side from a point 250 feet east of Channel Road easterly 85 feet.

2-B. Julian Avenue at Caraway Street, (57th Edition Thomas Guide Page 1232, B4) Lakeside -- Do not establish all-way stop control.

2-C. Sweetwater Road from the Lemon Grove City Limit southerly to the north line of Jamacha Boulevard (57th Edition Thomas Guide Page 1270, J7) Spring Valley -- Direct the existing 45 MPH speed limit be recertified for continued radar speed enforcement.

2-D. Third Street/Old Julian Highway from the south line of State Route 78 southerly to a point 2,700 feet east of the east line of Keyes Road (57th Edition Thomas Guide Page 1152, H5) Ramona -- Direct the existing 45 MPH speed limit be recertified for continued radar speed enforcement.

2-E. Woodside Avenue from the west line of Maine Avenue westerly to the east line of Riverview Avenue (57th Edition Thomas Guide Page 1232, B3) Lakeside -- Direct the existing 35 MPH speed limit be recertified for continued radar speed enforcement.

District 5

5-A. De La Valle Plaza both sides, from Via De La Valle northerly to the end of County Maintenance (57th Edition Thomas Guide Page 1188, A1) San Dieguito -- Establish Two-Hour Time Limit Parking.

5-B. Alturas Road and Fallbrook Street (57th Edition Thomas Guide Page 1027, E3) Fallbrook -- Establish all-way stop control.

- 5-C. El Camino Real from the San Diego City Limit northerly to the south line of Linea Del Cielo (57th Edition Thomas Guide Page 1188, B1) Rancho Santa Fe -- Direct the existing 45 MPH speed limit be recertified for continued radar speed enforcement.
- 5-D. El Camino Real from the north line of Linea Del Cielo northerly to the south line of La Orilla (57th Edition Thomas Guide Page 1168, B6) Rancho Santa Fe -- Direct the existing 45 MPH speed limit be recertified for continued radar speed enforcement.
- 5-E. Gopher Canyon Road from the west line of Spa Havens Way westerly to the east line of East Vista Way (57th Edition Thomas Guide Page 1068, C6) Bonsall -- Direct the existing 45 MPH speed limit be recertified for continued radar speed enforcement.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- 1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as specified under Section 15301 of the state CEQA Guidelines.
- 2. Adopt the Traffic Advisory Committee’s recommendations.
- 3. Adopt the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 299 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ALL WAY STOP IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (Item 5-B).

RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 301 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NO STANDING OR PARKING ZONES IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (Item 2-A).

RESOLUTION AMENDING TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 305 RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THROUGH HIGHWAYS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (Item 5-B).

- 4. Approve the introduction, read title and waive further reading of the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 72.143.13.4. TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE RELATING TO TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO (Item 5-A).

If, on August 7, 2013, the Board takes action as recommended in Chief Administrative Officer’s Recommendation 4 above, related to Item 5-A then, on September 11, 2013:

Consider and adopt the Ordinance adding Section 72.143.13.4. (Item 5-A) to the County Code of Regulatory Ordinances (second reading).

7. **SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:
HEARING TO CONFIRM FISCAL YEAR 2013-14
ASSESSMENTS IN THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY STREET
LIGHTING DISTRICT AND LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE
DISTRICT ZONES NO. 1 AND NO. 2 – (6/19/13 – SET
HEARING; 8/7/13 – HEARING) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW:

This item addresses the continuation of existing street lighting and landscape maintenance assessments for Fiscal Year 2013-14 with rate changes to Landscape Maintenance District Zone No.1. Each year a public hearing is held to confirm benefit levies for street lighting and landscape maintenance districts for the coming fiscal year.

San Diego County Lighting District

The San Diego County Street Lighting District (SDCSL District) operates and maintains approximately 10,184 public street lights in unincorporated San Diego County and is dedicated to providing quality street light service at a low cost to property owners. Funding for the SDCSL District is through a small portion of property tax and assessments charged to benefiting properties. Assessments are based on traffic generation for each type of land use, with a single-family residence being assigned one unit of benefit.

Funding for the SDCSL District is sufficient to operate and maintain the County's street lights for the next fiscal year without a rate increase. The proposed assessment rate for the SDCSL District for Fiscal Year 2013-14 is the current rate of \$6.48 per single family home per year. Among all street lighting district jurisdictions in the San Diego region, the County's assessment rate remains the lowest and has not increased since Fiscal Year 2008-09.

Landscape Maintenance District Zone No. 1

Landscape Maintenance District Zone (LMDZ) No. 1 was established to supplement revenue assessed by County Service Area No. 26 – Rancho San Diego for park operation, maintenance and improvements within the LMDZ No. 1 boundary. In Fiscal Year 2013-14, LMDZ No. 1 will increase the maximum authorized rate of \$30.39 to \$30.88 per single family home per year per Consumer Price Index contained in the annual Engineer's Report.

Landscape Maintenance District Zone No. 2

Landscape Maintenance District Zone (LMDZ) No. 2 – Julian (Jess Martin Park) was established to fund ongoing maintenance of amenities and construction of minor capital improvements at Jess Martin Park in the community of Julian. There is no proposed increase in assessment rate for Fiscal Year 2013-14 for LMDZ No. 2. The assessment rate will remain at the current assessment rate of \$47.82 per single family home per year.

This action requires two steps. The proposed assessments must be confirmed by

the Board at an annual public hearing. On June 19, 2013, the actions requested are to approve the Engineer's Reports for the San Diego County Street Lighting District and LMDZ Nos. 1 and 2, and to set a public hearing date of August 7, 2013. If the Board takes these actions on June 19, 2013, then at the hearing on August 7, 2013, after hearing public testimony, the Board will be asked to consider adopting resolutions confirming the assessments. These actions are discretionary after consideration of public testimony.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The proposed assessment levies are consistent with revenues shown in the Fiscal Year 2013-14 CAO Recommended Operational Plan. There is no proposed increase in assessments for the San Diego County Street Lighting District for Fiscal Year 2013-14. The proposed increase of \$2,443 for Landscape Maintenance District Zone No. 1 is included in the Recommended Fiscal Year 2013-14 Operational Plan for Landscape Maintenance District Zone No. 1. There is no proposed increase in assessments for Fiscal Year 2013-14 for Landscape Maintenance District Zone No. 2. If approved, there will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Adopt a Resolution entitled: RESOLUTION CONFIRMING DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENTS IN THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT.
2. Adopt a Resolution entitled: RESOLUTION CONFIRMING DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENTS IN THE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT ZONE NO. 1.
3. Adopt a Resolution entitled: RESOLUTION CONFIRMING DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENTS IN THE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT ZONE NO. 2.