

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MEETING AGENDA  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2021, 9:00 AM**  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NORTH CHAMBER ROOM 310  
1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Order of Business

- A. Roll Call
- B. Invocation
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Presentation or Announcement of Proclamations and Awards
- E. Non-Agenda Public Communication: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Board on any subject matter within the Board's jurisdiction but not an item on today's agenda.
- F. Approval of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the meeting of March 16, 2021.
- G. Formation of Consent Calendar
- H. Discussion Items

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**Board of Supervisors' Agenda Items**

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	2.	SUPPORT FOR THE CREATION OF CAL-FIRE CHIEF WILLIAM R. CLAYTON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY
	3.	SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT OF DNA ANALYSIS SUPPLIES FROM PROMEGA CORPORATION [FUNDING SOURCE: GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE]
	4.	SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT OF COUNTYWIDE PAGING SYSTEM COMPONENTS [FUNDING SOURCE: EXISTING GENERAL-PURPOSE REVENUE]
Health and Human Services	5.*	RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE COVID-19 RESPONSE, RATIFY ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO THE LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY AND LOCAL EMERGENCY, APPROVE THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR 4990 VIEWRIDGE, ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GREAT PLATES DELIVERED PROGRAM, AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF COVID-19 EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY ENHANCING DETECTION EXPANSION FUNDING, AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR COVID-19 SEROEPIDEMIOLOGICAL STUDY, AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF RACIAL AND ETHNIC APPROACHES TO COMMUNITY HEALTH FUNDING, AND AUTHORIZE ANY OTHER ACTION NECESSARY TO ADDRESS THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC (4 VOTES)

\*Presentation

6. CREATING A DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SOLUTIONS AND EQUITABLE COMMUNITIES AND ADOPTION OF GUIDING PRINCIPLES ON ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS
7. PILOT PROGRAM TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS IN NORTH SAN DIEGO COUNTY
8. EXPANDING THE INNOVATIVE HOUSING TRUST FUND
9. STRENGTHENING MOBILE CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM PROGRAM: ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY EDUCATION CAMPAIGN, NORTH COASTAL SERVICE EXPANSION, AND DEVELOPING DATA SHARING AGREEMENTS AND PROTOCOLS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER ENTITIES, AND ENGAGING INDIVIDUALS WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE THROUGH COUNTY ADVISORY BOARDS
10. INCREASING ACCESS AND ENROLLMENT IN COUNTY SELF- SUFFICIENCY PROGRAMS TO SERVE EVERY COMMUNITY MEMBER IN NEED WITHOUT BARRIERS TO ENTRY
- 11.\* UPDATE ON ADVANCING THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM OF CARE
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13. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:  
FINANCE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT GROUP FEES AND RATES RELATING TO THE ASSESSOR/RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK AND COUNTY COUNSEL
14. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:  
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15. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:  
ISSUANCE OF REVENUE OBLIGATIONS BY THE CALIFORNIA ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF HANNA FENICHEL CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN AN AGGREGATE MAXIMUM AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000

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General  
Government

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16. A RESOLUTION DENOUNCING XENOPHOBIA AND ANTI-ASIAN RACISM AFFIRMING SAN DIEGO COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE WELL-BEING AND SAFETY OF ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES
- 17.\* RECEIVE THE REPORT BACK ON THE FRAMEWORK FOR CREATING AN EQUITABLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE LENS OF EQUITY, RACIAL JUSTICE, AND BELONGING
18. RECOVERING FROM COVID-19: FEE WAIVERS FOR THE EVENTS INDUSTRY
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20. UPDATING COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY GUIDING PRINCIPLES
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27. REQUEST FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT FOR MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING AND SUPPORT FROM MATTER STRATEGIES, LLC

\*Presentation

- 28. GENERAL SERVICES - APPROVAL OF SECOND AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE CASA DE ORO LIBRARY, 9805 CAMPO ROAD, SPRING VALLEY [FUNDING SOURCE: COUNTY LIBRARY PROPERTY TAX REVENUES]
- 29. AMENDMENT TO SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AND THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT RELATED TO FLEET SERVICES

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Closed Session

- 33. CLOSED SESSION

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**1. SUBJECT: SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT - APPOINTMENT OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AND SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

On July 7, 2020 (1), the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors (Board of Supervisors) initiated proceedings with the San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to form the San Diego County Fire Protection District (SDCFPD). Previously, the San Diego County Fire Authority (Fire Authority) provided fire services through County Service Area No. 135 (CSA 135). On December 7, 2020, LAFCO finalized the formation of the SDCFPD, transferring fire protection and emergency medical service powers from CSA 135 to the new SDCFPD.

Prior to any action by SDCFPD, the Board of Supervisors must select a Board of Directors for the newly-formed district. Consistent with the July 7, 2020 (1) action to form of a dependent fire protection district, the Board of Supervisors may appoint itself to serve as the Board of Directors. Alternatively, the Board of Supervisors may elect or appoint an independent board.

Though SDCFPD is a separate legal entity from the County, it may function operationally within the organizational and financial structure of the County. Under this structure, an agreement memorializing the terms of the relationship between the County and SDCFPD is required. Until a comprehensive agreement is finalized, SDCFPD requires County support, including use of County officers and employees, to ensure the continuity of services (Attachment A).

Today's proposed action is for the Board to appoint itself as the SDCFPD Board of Directors. If this action is taken, further proposed actions would authorize the County's Chief Administrative Officer and SDCFPD's Executive Director or designee to enter into an agreement outlining the organizational and financial structure between the two entities and adoption of a joint resolution to ensure the continuance of services within the SDCFPD jurisdictional area.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

**Acting as the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego:**

1. Find that the proposed actions are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5) because they involve organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.
2. Appoint the Board of Supervisors as the Board of Directors of the San Diego County Fire Protection District.

3. If the Board of Supervisors adopts Recommendation 2, adopt a joint resolution with the San Diego County Fire Protection District entitled:  
JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZING THE USE OF COUNTY RESOURCES TO ENSURE CONTINUANCE OF FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (Attachment A, on file with the Clerk of the Board).
4. If the Board of Supervisors adopts Recommendation 2, direct the Chief Administrative Officer to take all actions necessary to enter into and implement an agreement formalizing the organizational and financial structure with the San Diego County Fire Protection District, and amend as needed.

**Acting as the Board of Directors of the San Diego County Fire Protection District:**

1. Find that the proposed actions are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5) because they involve organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.
2. If the Board of Supervisors adopts Recommendation 2, adopt a joint resolution with the County entitled:  
JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZING THE USE OF COUNTY RESOURCES TO ENSURE CONTINUANCE OF FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (Attachment A, on file with the Clerk of the Board).
3. If the Board of Supervisors adopts Recommendation 2, authorize the Executive Director or designee to take all actions necessary to enter into and implement an agreement formalizing an organizational and financial structure with the County, and amend as needed.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

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

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

(RELATES TO SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AGENDA ITEM 1)

2. **SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR THE CREATION OF CAL-FIRE CHIEF WILLIAM R. CLAYTON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY (DISTRICT: 5)**

**OVERVIEW**

SCR-12 CAL-FIRE Chief William R. Clayton Memorial Highway was introduced by Senator Patricia Bates and honors the heroic actions Chief William R. Clayton. The measure dedicates a portion of State Route 15 near the community of Rainbow as “CAL-FIRE Chief William R. Clayton Memorial Highway.”



Chief Clayton's public service spans 50-years and several agencies. While serving as Division Chief for CAL-FIRE he became the most decorated CAL-FIRE Chief in the history of the agency.

In 1998, he was awarded his first CAL-FIRE Medal of Valor for his heroic actions during a 1997 fire in Escondido, where he drove through a 50-foot wall of flames to rescue three people trapped in their home near Lake Wohlford. He received his second Medal of Valor in 2006 for his efforts in battling the 2003 Paradise and Cedar fires in San Diego County.

Today's action will support the legislation for the creation of CAL-FIRE Chief William R. Clayton Memorial Highway.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**  
**SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND**

Direct the Chief Administrative Office to express the County's support for State Senate Concurrent Resolution 12 to the State Legislature consistent with Board Policy M-2.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no Fiscal Impact associated with this request.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**3. SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT OF DNA ANALYSIS SUPPLIES FROM PROMEGA CORPORATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

The ability of the San Diego County Sheriff's Regional Crime Laboratory to perform deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) analysis is crucial to criminal investigations. The Crime Laboratory processes DNA casework for the San Diego County Sheriff's Department and various agencies within the region. The technology behind DNA analysis is continually advancing and ever changing. The Crime Lab strives to maintain timely and reliable DNA analysis services, meaning that technology and supplies must be up to date.

This is a request to approve the single source procurement of DNA analysis supplies from Promega Corporation for a period of one year, with four option years.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**  
**SHERIFF**

In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, approve and authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to enter into negotiations with Promega Corporation, and subject to successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for the purchase of DNA analysis supplies for up to one year with four option years and an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to requirements and funding.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Department. If approved, this request will result in estimated annual costs of \$250,000 for the next five fiscal years, for a total of \$1,250,000. Subsequent year costs will be included in future year Operational Plans for the Sheriff's Department. The funding source is General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

### **4. SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT OF COUNTYWIDE PAGING SYSTEM COMPONENTS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

On August 5, 2014 (2), the Board of Supervisors approved the single source procurement to replace the outdated paging system controller hardware and software from Prism-IPX Systems, LLC. The Sheriff's Department operates a countywide paging system that sends text messages to first responders. The paging system uses public safety infrastructure to ensure reliability on a daily basis and during an emergency. The existing paging system consists of three major components: the paging system controller (computer hardware and software), simulcast radio infrastructure that transmits the messages throughout the county, and the individual paging receivers. The paging system was purchased in 2006 and Prism-IPX Systems, LLC replaced the old controller hardware and software in 2014. The current paging system controller equipment has reached the end of manufacturer's supported useful life.

This is a request for the single source procurement of paging system controller hardware and software from Prism-IPX Systems, LLC. Prism-IPX Systems, LLC is the only service provider that can refresh the outdated controller hardware and its associated software, without substantially modifying the existing system and adding additional components.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

##### **SHERIFF**

1. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, approve and authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to enter into negotiations with Prism-IPX Systems, LLC and, subject to successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for the purchase of a paging system controller hardware and software along with implementation and support services.
2. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director of Purchasing and Contracting to amend contract with Prism-IPX Systems, LLC to reflect changes to services and funding, subject to the approval of the Sheriff.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds are included in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Department. If approved, this request will result in an estimated current year costs and revenue of \$132,766. The funding source is existing General-Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 5. SUBJECT: RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE COVID-19 RESPONSE, RATIFY ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO THE LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY AND LOCAL EMERGENCY, APPROVE THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR 4990 VIEWRIDGE, ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GREAT PLATES DELIVERED PROGRAM, AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF COVID-19 EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY ENHANCING DETECTION EXPANSION FUNDING, AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR COVID-19 SEROEPIDEMIOLOGICAL STUDY, AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF RACIAL AND ETHNIC APPROACHES TO COMMUNITY HEALTH FUNDING, AND AUTHORIZE ANY OTHER ACTION NECESSARY TO ADDRESS THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

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

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

The County continues to make significant efforts to slow the spread of COVID-19. Today's actions request the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) to receive an update on the local COVID-19 response and ratify all actions taken by the CAO, Public Health Officer, Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting and Director, Department of General Services in response to the local health emergency and local emergency. Additionally, it is requested that the Board take the following actions to continue to support the County's COVID-19 response efforts:

- Approve a third amendment to the lease agreement for space located at 4990 Viewridge Avenue, San Diego to support the Emergency Rental Assistance Program.
- Establish appropriations in the amount of \$107,000,000 for implementation of the Emergency Rental Assistance Program.
- Establish appropriations in the amount of \$80,000,000 for the Great Plates Delivered program related to the COVID-19 response efforts.
- Authorize acceptance of approximately \$123,774,567 in funding from the California Department of Public Health from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Expansion.

- Authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue a competitive solicitation for a COVID-19 seroepidemiological study.
- Authorize the acceptance of approximately \$629,640 in funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for the Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) supplemental grant.
- Take any other action necessary to address the COVID-19 pandemic emergency response.

In addition, as part of the COVID-19 presentation to the Board, staff will provide an update on the community workgroups that were held to aid in the development of the County's framework for the use of the federal and State stimulus funds toward the COVID-19 pandemic response efforts.

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

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**  
**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Receive an update on the COVID-19 response.
2. Ratify all actions taken by the Chief Administrative Officer, Public Health Officer, Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, and Director, Department of General Services in response to the local health emergency and local emergency.
3. Ratify all actions taken by County Fire to enter into mutual aid agreements for vaccination services with the fire agencies listed in Attachment A.
4. Approve and authorize the Director, Department of General Services, to execute a third amendment to the lease agreement for space located at 4990 Viewridge Avenue, San Diego.
5. Find that the proposed project to amend the lease at 4990 Viewridge Avenue is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA guidelines section 15301.
6. Establish total appropriations of \$107,000,000 in the Health and Human Services Agency, Services & Supplies (\$9,800,000) and Other Charges (\$97,200,000), for implementation of the new Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) funded through a direct allocation and State allocation of federal ERAP funds to the County. **(4 VOTES)**
7. Establish appropriations of \$80,000,000 in the Health and Human Services Agency, Services and Supplies for Great Plates Delivered program tied to COVID-19 response efforts. **(4 VOTES)**

8. Authorize the acceptance of \$123,774,567 in funding from the California Department of Public Health from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Expansion for the period of January 15, 2021 through July 31, 2023, and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute all required documents, upon receipt, including any annual extensions, amendments, or revisions thereto that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.
9. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a Competitive Solicitation for a COVID-19 seroepidemiological study, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contract for a term of one year, and up to an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to services and funding.
10. Authorize the acceptance of \$629,640 in grant funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for the Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) supplemental grant for the period of March 30, 2021 through September 29, 2022 and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute all required grant documents, upon receipt, including any annual extensions, amendments, or revisions that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.
11. Take any other action necessary to address the COVID-19 pandemic emergency response.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Prior action by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) created a framework for the use of over \$431 million in CARES Act, Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) revenue (\$390.7 million), and County of San Diego (County) General Fund Fund Balance (\$40.6 million), through December 30, 2020, toward our COVID-19 response efforts and for economic and community investments. The framework included public health and medical services, testing, tracing, treatment, temporary housing assistance, sanitation, food distribution services, allocations to the 17 cities that did not receive direct CARES Act funds, child care vouchers, child care provider grant program, economic stimulus program, child welfare outreach, Behavioral Health telehealth, compliance efforts, rental assistance, remote learning internet access for students, and administrative support. The estimated cost through the end of December 2020 is \$440.8 million. The County is currently spending an estimated \$11.9 million a week toward County response, Test, Trace, and Treat (T3) efforts, continuation of the Great Plates Delivered program, the COVID Income Stipend Program, and vaccination efforts. The County will rely on available stimulus funding, program revenues, Realignment, and County General Fund Fund Balance to cover costs. The County will continue to pursue other federal and State stimulus revenue and funding sources, including the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

#### **Recommendation #4: Amendment to lease agreement for space located at 4990 Viewridge Avenue, San Diego**

Funds for this request are included in FY 2020-22 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). If approved, this request will have no fiscal impact in Fiscal Year 2020-21 and will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$0.4 million in Fiscal Year 2021-22. The funding source for this request is federal Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) funds received as a direct allocation from the U.S. Department of the Treasury and an allocation from the State. There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**Recommendation #6: Establish Appropriations for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program**

Funds for this request are not included in the FY 2020-22 Operational Plan in HHS. If approved, this request will result in \$107.0 million additional appropriations, Services & Supplies (\$9.8 million) and Other Charges (\$97.2 million), for Fiscal Year 2020-21. The funding source for this request is federal ERAP funds received as a direct allocation from the U.S. Department of the Treasury and an allocation from the State. There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**Recommendation #7: Establish Appropriations for the Great Plates Delivered Program**

Funds for this request are not included in the FY 2020-21 Operational Plan in HHS. If approved, this request will result in \$80.0 million additional appropriations. The funding sources for this request are FEMA and the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA). There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**Recommendation #8: Authorize Acceptance of Grant Funding for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Expansion**

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-22 Operational Plan in HHS. If approved, this request is not expected to increase costs in Fiscal Year 2020-21. HHS will leverage the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Expansion (ELC) revenue to help fund COVID-19 emergency response costs for FY 2020-21 and invest additional resources in FY 2021-22 towards augmenting laboratory capacity and overall public health infrastructure. HHS will return to the Board to request for additional appropriations as necessary. There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**Recommendation #9: Authorize Competitive Solicitation for a COVID-19 Seroepidemiological Study**

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-22 Operational Plan in HHS. If approved, this recommendation will have no fiscal impact in Fiscal Year 2020-21 and will result in costs and revenue in Fiscal Year 2021-22 that will be determined based on the result of the solicitation. The funding source for this request is the initial allocation of the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection funds approved by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors on September 15, 2020 (07). There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**Recommendation #10: Authorize Acceptance of Grant Funds for the Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health Supplemental Grant**

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-22 Operational Plan in HHS. If approved, this will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$104,940 in Fiscal Year 2020-21, estimated costs and revenue of \$419,760 in Fiscal Year 2021-22, and estimated costs and revenue of \$104,940 in Fiscal Year 2022-23. The funding source for this request is federal funding for the Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health program. There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

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

**6. SUBJECT: CREATING A DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SOLUTIONS AND  
EQUITABLE COMMUNITIES AND ADOPTION OF GUIDING  
PRINCIPLES ON ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

While the County of San Diego serves as the primary governmental jurisdiction responsible for programs and services related to individuals who are experiencing homelessness in the unincorporated areas of the region, the County also provides vital health and human resources and services to assist and support individuals throughout the region, many of whom are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

In past decades, this Board was primarily interested in its responsibilities to the unincorporated areas when it came to homelessness issues. But the Board of Supervisors now has shown a commitment to leveraging County expertise and resources to help all vulnerable San Diegans because we have a regional leadership role to play. With the change in the Board and the associated change in priorities, now is the time to strengthen the County's role in addressing homelessness to determine how our approach can be better coordinated and effective.

I propose creating the Department of Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities within the Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) and ask that staff report back to this Board with recommendations on how best to operationalize this proposal, including appropriate existing and additional resources necessary to realize such functions. A separate department is necessary to achieve sustained focus on this complex and interconnected issue. The creation of this new department will achieve better coordination of existing and future County homeless activities and programs and serve as a central point of contact and collaboration for outside partners in order to help vulnerable San Diegans and reduce homelessness in the region.

In addition, this proposal outlines guiding principles that should be applied to any current and future County actions related to homelessness, and incorporated into Board Policy A-128, suspends the process on an ordinance that would risk criminalizing homelessness, and offers direction on a zoning amendment that will facilitate the siting of housing and facilities to support people experiencing homelessness.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER**

1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to use the guidelines outlined in this Board Letter to assess the current functions of County services related to persons experiencing homelessness and report back to the Board within 90 days as to how to better centralize related County functions, including reorganization of existing staff, resources and state and federal homeless funding and assess the need for additional staff and resources, under a Department of Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities within the Health and Human Services Agency (HHS), in order to improve efficiency and effectiveness with a particular focus on equity, data, and working in collaboration with external partners.
2. Direct the CAO to revise Board of Supervisors Policy A-128, Comprehensive Homeless Policy, to incorporate the guidelines outlined in this Board Letter and report back to the Board within 90 days.

3. Direct the CAO to accelerate work on future Zoning Ordinance changes previously directed by the Board on May 19, 2020, in order to streamline the location of emergency and permanent supportive housing, and other facilities to support people experiencing homelessness, and seek input from the community, led by appropriate HHSA staff, to establish a framework for the appropriate siting of such locations, to determine the best approach to address environmental or other regulatory considerations that are current barriers to such changes, and report back to the Board within 90 days.
4. Direct the CAO to suspend current efforts previously directed by the Board on May 19, 2020, that authorized the development of ordinances intended to minimize the impacts associated with homelessness on park and recreation users and facilities.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the proposed action. The creation of a new Department of Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities and any proposed changes to County reorganization that require additional resources would be brought before the Board for approval and allocation in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Operational Plan.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

7. **SUBJECT: PILOT PROGRAM TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS IN NORTH SAN DIEGO COUNTY (DISTRICTS: 3 & 5)**

### **OVERVIEW**

San Diego continues to struggle with an on-going crisis of homelessness with an estimated 22,000 people experiencing homelessness at some point throughout the year, including 8,102 individuals who were counted on one night during the 2019 Point-in-Time count. The social and economic consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic have only increased the threat of displacement, evictions, and homelessness, especially for low-income households and communities of color. The costs of homelessness are unacceptably high as research has closely linked even a brief experience of homelessness to worse health, education, and economic outcomes.

The situation is particularly acute in North San Diego County, where the eight cities across the region and various service providers each deploy resources and programs within their respective service areas. In response, the elected leaders of these cities have come together to coordinate a regional approach and collaborate with the County to provide a greater level of outreach and support to unhoused individuals and accelerate pathways to stable, affordable, and service-enriched housing. This approach is trauma-informed, aligned with evidence-based models, and part of a broader, housing-first framework that includes homeless prevention, increasing the supply of suitable rehousing opportunities, and providing coordinated outreach and wrap-around services.



Today's action develops a North County pilot program to deploy an integrated team that will work in partnership with the staff in various cities to increase the level of outreach, assessments, and connections to wrap-around services and suitable housing opportunities for those experiencing homelessness. The team will be comprised of at least 10 outreach staff (primarily highly qualified social workers, such as LCSWs, though the need for housing navigators should also be assessed). Appropriate administrative, data analytics, and supervisorial staff will support the outreach team.

Each outreach staff will be deployed across a consistent geography to develop trust and build relationships with homeless individuals through repeated interactions. The outreach staff will be able to transport clients and will have access to flexible discretionary funds to provide for incidentals such as clothing, food, help obtaining identification, and short-term motel vouchers as part of the engagement process. This proposal seeks to be collaborative in nature and provides these resources in coordination with cities and service providers to augment and expand the existing network of homeless outreach services.

This program will also significantly improve the quality of real-time data on homeless individuals available in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). The current usage of HMIS is not universal and we know many individuals are not being recorded in the data properly. All County outreach staff will utilize a standardized approach to logging clients into HMIS, which will provide program staff and policymakers with a more comprehensive picture of the homelessness crisis.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

##### **SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND AND SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

1. Find that the proposed actions are not a project pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines sections 15060(c)(3) and 15378 and is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Guidelines section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed actions may have a significant effect on the environment.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to create a plan that incorporates the following and report back in 90 days:
  - a. Develop an integrated team to work in partnership with North County cities and service providers to provide homeless outreach, assessments, and connections to services and housing opportunities. The integrated team should include at least 10 outreach staff, primarily comprised of highly experienced and qualified social workers, such as LCSWs, though the plan should also assess the potential role for housing navigators. The integrated team should also include appropriate administrative, data analytics, and supervisorial staff.
  - b. Develop a plan for accessing office space, both at existing County sites and through partnership arrangements with local community-based organizations, that can be utilized as meeting space for clients and outreach workers.
  - c. Engage key stakeholders throughout the process of developing the plan including the local cities, services providers, and impacted individuals.
  - d. Identify key outcome metrics and develop an evaluation framework for assessing program effectiveness.

- e. Identify additional opportunities for the County to work in partnership with North County cities and service providers to support homeless prevention, homeless outreach, housing navigation, and development of suitable rehousing opportunities.
3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to determine the funds necessary to implement this program and refer that amount to budget.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are not included in the County of San Diego's Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan. If approved, this request will result in estimated annual costs of \$1.5 million beginning in Fiscal Year 2021-22, that will be referred to budget to establish appropriations and identify a funding source. The impact to net General Fund cost and staff years will depend on the final program design.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

### **8. SUBJECT: EXPANDING THE INNOVATIVE HOUSING TRUST FUND (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

Considering the continued shortage of affordable housing in the region, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors took a bold first step on June 20, 2017 by creating the Innovative Housing Trust Fund (IHTF) to increase the regional supply of affordable housing. The initial investment of \$25 million was used to address housing needs by providing funding for the construction, acquisition and/or rehabilitation of multi-family housing for low-income households and vulnerable populations. On April 30, 2019, the Board voted to expand the IHTF with an additional investment of \$25 million.

Through four separate Notices of Funding Availability, the IHTF helped to spur the development of 1,398 units in twenty developments throughout the region. All IHTF funds have been committed to affordable housing developments and leveraged more than \$569 million in other public and private funding sources.

The San Diego Association of Governments' (SANDAG) 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Plan identifies that nearly 99,000 additional affordable units are required to meet the region's need. The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted many San Diegans financially, further attributing to the housing crisis that the region faces. Individuals are in dire need of affordable housing options now more than ever. Today's action would direct the Chief Administrative Officer to refer to Budget for consideration of additional County investment into the IHTF.

IHTF spurs the production and preservation of affordable housing through enhanced partnerships with regional stakeholders. These efforts align with the County of San Diego's *Live Well San Diego* vision for a healthy, safe, and thriving region.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**  
**SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON**

Refer to Budget for consideration of the establishment of an additional \$25 million appropriation in order to expand funding for the Innovative Housing Trust Fund.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are not included in the County of San Diego's Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan. If approved, this request will result in an estimated cost of \$25 million in Fiscal Year 2021-22, that will be referred to budget to establish appropriations and identify a funding source. The impact to net General Fund cost will depend on funding sources identified. There is no impact to staff years.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

Should funds be allocated the recommended actions will have a positive impact on the business community and result in construction work to be performed at selected properties. Contracts resulting from these recommendations may be executed with private sector firms and will involve a competitive bid process. Additionally, affordable rents can significantly increase the residual income that households have at their disposal after meeting necessary housing costs. Local businesses stand to gain from the increased buying power made possible by the availability of affordable housing. The National Association of Home Builders estimates that for each 100 units of affordable housing developed, 100-160 jobs are created in the first year, and 30-32 jobs are created in ongoing years of operation.

9. **SUBJECT: STRENGTHENING MOBILE CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM PROGRAM: ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY EDUCATION CAMPAIGN, NORTH COASTAL SERVICE EXPANSION, AND DEVELOPING DATA SHARING AGREEMENTS AND PROTOCOLS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER ENTITIES, AND ENGAGING INDIVIDUALS WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE THROUGH COUNTY ADVISORY BOARDS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

People with untreated mental illness are 16 times more likely to be killed during a police encounter than other civilians approached or stopped by law enforcement.

A law enforcement response is not appropriate for someone experiencing a non-violent mental health or substance use crisis. Due to the very specific skills needed, trained clinical mental and behavioral health professionals are better suited than law enforcement to provide assistance in these crises.

In June 2019, the Board of Supervisors, created an initial framework to move towards Mobile Crisis Response Teams (MCRT) to dispatch trained teams comprised of mental health clinicians and peer support specialists, rather than law enforcement representatives, to respond to non-violent mental health crisis emergency calls. Teams are trained for crisis interventions. They arrive on site, assess a person's condition and spend time with the individual to calm them down, and figure out the best place to refer them to address their situation.

This initial board action authorized the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to accelerate operations of a pilot MCRT program in North Coastal, expand the service countywide in addition to implementing a community outreach campaign to educate the public.

Building on lessons learned from the pilot, in February 2021, the County released a Request For Proposal (RFP) to obtain a provider or providers to service five Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) regions, as authorized by the June 20, 2020 Board Action. The five HHSA designated regions include North Inland, North Central, Central, South, and East and will operate 24 hours/7 days a week response model, with a goal of integrating with 9-1-1 dispatch and is projected to come on-line late summer.

To help strengthen our local Mobile Crisis Response Teams (MCRT), we are proposing the following set of recommendations: expand MCRT operations designated in North Coastal Region to 24/7, allocate resources to ensure a robust community education campaign, create a process for community and individuals with lived experience to provide input into the new MCRT model, and build internal capacity within Behavioral Health Services to work with law enforcement to develop protocols for referrals and agreements for data sharing to improve client outcomes.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER AND SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

1. Refer to budget the expansion of the North Coastal Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) to provide twenty-four-hour and seven-days-per-week services.
2. Refer to budget up to \$600,000 to cover cost of conducting a public awareness campaign educating the community about when and how to call the MCRT and the request to add 1.00 staff years to work with the public safety partners and lead efforts to coordinate points of access and create triage protocols countywide for San Diego County Crisis Line and 9-1-1 dispatch as well as develop roadmap for data sharing agreements between public safety and behavioral health services for mutual clients.
3. Direct the CAO to work with the chairs of the Behavioral Health Advisory Board and the Human Relations Commission to allow County staff to provide both entities with quarterly written updates about the MCRT services and to be present as requested at the meetings to answer questions and receive feedback.
4. Direct the CAO to report back to the Board within 90 days after the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget on the progress in implementing Recommendations 2 and 3 above, and to provide written quarterly reports.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact to the FY 2020-21 CAO Operational Plan with today's recommendation. Costs associated with the recommendation in this board letter will be determined by the Chief Administrative Officer and referred to the budget.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**10. SUBJECT: INCREASING ACCESS AND ENROLLMENT IN COUNTY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAMS TO SERVE EVERY COMMUNITY MEMBER IN NEED WITHOUT BARRIERS TO ENTRY (DISTRICT: 3)**

**OVERVIEW**

The pandemic-induced recession pushed San Diegans to use their savings, rely on food banks, and seek economic support from our County's self-sufficiency programs. CalFresh, CalWORKs, Medi-Cal, Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants, and General Relief are five of San Diego County's self-sufficiency programs that support families during difficult economic times. While enrollment in these self-sufficiency programs is at an all-time high, barriers such as generational stigma, underfunded outreach efforts, racial biases, and misperceptions regarding guidance from the previous federal administration may limit optimal enrollment in these programs - especially at a time when families need this support the most.

There is a need to further understand the root causes of under-enrollment and develop a new strategy to target all eligible San Diego County residents given the impacts of the pandemic on the most vulnerable. It is concerning that so many individuals are not accessing the very programs designed to alleviate such problems given the sheer number of San Diego County residents who experience food insecurity, lack access to proper healthcare, and are underemployed or unemployed.

San Diego County is currently far behind in enrolling eligible individuals in its self-sufficiency programs. In 2010, the Rose Institute at Claremont McKenna College found that among the twelve largest counties in California, San Diego County was significantly behind in CalFresh, CalWORKs, and Medi-Cal enrollment. In 2013, San Diego County ranked 44th out of 58 California counties in CalFresh enrollment. In 2015, San Diego County only had a 50.9 percent CalFresh enrollment rate.

The County has an obligation to ensure that accessing CalFresh, CalWORKs, Medi-Cal, CAPI, and General Relief sufficiency programs is easy and consumer-friendly for every County resident who is eligible. It has been more than a decade since the County thoroughly reviewed this issue. In 2010, the Board of Supervisors sent a memo to the Chief Administrative Officer requesting that the Social Services Advisory Board (SSAB) address the efficiency and effectiveness of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), now known as CalFresh. The SSAB established a time-limited working group comprised of community-based organizations that had experience working with SNAP to provide recommendations for simplifying the eligibility process and removing perceived barriers that impede program participation.

11 years later, it is clear that the County must once again analyze, understand, recommend, and shift our program priorities to ensure every San Diegan in need obtains any benefits for which they may be eligible. The pandemic has highlighted how important it is that we make sure County benefits work for every San Diegan, regardless of their race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, gender identity, and/or sexual orientation.

I recommend that the Chief Administrative Officer convene a new stakeholder group under the SSAB that is dedicated to addressing the efficiency and effectiveness of the County's CalFresh, CalWORKs, Medi-Cal, CAPI, and General Relief enrollment programs.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

### **SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

1. Request that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors send, on behalf of the Board, a letter requesting that the Social Services Advisory Board (SSAB) take the following actions:
  - a. Establish a temporary ad hoc subcommittee called the ‘Outreach, Accessibility, and Enrollment Task Force’ (Task Force) comprised solely of less than a quorum of the SSAB’s members.
  - b. Request the Task Force to undertake a comprehensive review of enrollment barriers and plans to overcome these barriers for CalFresh, CalWORKs, Medi-Cal, Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants, and General Relief in an effort to increase outreach, accessibility, and enrollment for qualifying individuals in San Diego County.
  - c. Request that the Task Force obtain the input of local experts and advocates with knowledge of health and human services in outreach, analyzing, and increasing enrollment in self-sufficiency programs in California.
  - d. Request that the SSAB provide a monthly status report to the Board describing the Task Force’s progress.
  - e. Request that the SSAB report the Task Force’s initial findings to the Board, along with any interim recommendations no later than October 4, 2021, and to provide a final report and recommendations no later than December 7, 2021.
2. Authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to procure an agreement in accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, and upon successful negotiations and a determination of a fair and reasonable price, enter into an agreement for a comprehensive assessment of the County’s outreach, enrollment, and accessibility for the CalFresh, CalWORKs, Medi-Cal, Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants, and General Relief programs, examining issues including, but not limited to, application requirements and processes, state and federal regulations, language barriers, technology barriers, customer-centered culture, case management, outreach strategies and tactics, community partner opportunities and staffing levels of eligibility workers, and to provide the Task Force support, as requested.
3. Direct the CAO to return to the Board with consultant-provided initial recommendations no later than October 4, 2021, and final recommendations no later than December 7, 2021.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021 operational plan.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**11. SUBJECT: UPDATE ON ADVANCING THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM OF CARE (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

Under the leadership of the San Diego Board of Supervisors (Board), behavioral health care in San Diego County is in the midst of a profound transformation. The County of San Diego (County) is taking action and making strategic investments to move the local behavioral health care delivery system from a model of care driven by crises, to one centered on continuous, coordinated care and prevention. These efforts are guided by data; focused on equity; and designed to engender collaborative work across silos, within and outside of government.

Today's update to the Board includes a summary of the conceptual strategies underlying the County's behavioral health reform efforts, as well as a report on progress of the portfolio of projects that are bringing this transformation to life.

Additionally, today's action, if approved, would accept the updated Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Designation Guidelines and Processes for Facilities within San Diego County to include all programs that meet State and local regulations, including community-based crisis stabilization units, a health care service that is crucial to driving toward a continuous care orientation.

These actions will advance the County's ongoing work across systems to support better care of individuals, better health for local populations, and more efficient health care resourcing. In doing so, today's item supports the County's *Live Well San Diego* vision for a region where all residents have the opportunity to build better health, live safely, and thrive.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Receive an update on Advancing the Behavioral Health Continuum of Care.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to sunset time-certain reporting for the Behavioral Health Impact Fund and Laura's Law updates, and to shift reporting for the Behavioral Health Continuum of Care to coincide with significant developments.
3. Adopt the updated Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Designation Guidelines and Processes for Facilities within San Diego County, revised to expand eligibility to all programs that meet applicable State and local requirements.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

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

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**12. SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XV-B OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RELATING TO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CHARGES AND FEES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

Today's actions request that the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) approve amendments to Article XV-B of the San Diego County Administrative Code related to fees charged for services by the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency Public Health Services (PHS), Behavioral Health Services (BHS) and Medical Care Services Division (MCSD). The Board last approved revisions to HHSA's fees and rates on April 9, 2019 (06).

The proposed Ordinance represents a comprehensive package that seeks to support the cost of providing HHSA services while maintaining fees that are fair and equitable for customers and the public. In accordance with Board Policy B-29 (Fees, Grants, and Revenue Contracts-Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery), HHSA recently conducted a review of their fees and rates, in order to ensure costs are fully recovered for services provided to agencies or individuals. A total of 116 HHSA fees and their associated costs were reviewed, resulting in proposed additions, adjustments, deletions, and determinations to maintain existing fees. The Auditor and Controller has reviewed and approved the supporting documentation and the methodology for establishing the fees in this proposal for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

Today's request requires two steps: on April 6, 2021, it is requested that the Board consider an Ordinance amending sections of the San Diego County Administrative Code related to HHSA fees. If the Board takes the actions as recommended, then on May 4, 2021, the proposed Ordinance will be brought back to the Board for consideration and adoption.

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

**RECOMMENDATION(S)  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

On April 6, 2021:

1. Approve the introduction of the Ordinance (first reading), read title, and waive further reading of the Ordinance:  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XV-B OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RELATING TO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CHARGES AND FEES.

If, on April 6, 2021, the San Diego County Board takes action as recommended, then on May 4, 2021, consider and adopt (second reading):

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XV-B OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RELATING TO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CHARGES AND FEES.



**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2020-22 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) but will be incorporated in the Fiscal Year 2021-23 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the HHSA. If approved, this request will have no impact in Fiscal Year 2020-21 and will result in an estimated increase in revenue of \$306,797 in Fiscal Year 2021-22. There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 13. **SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:  
FINANCE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT GROUP FEES AND RATES  
RELATING TO THE ASSESSOR/RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK AND  
COUNTY COUNSEL (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

Today’s actions request that the Board of Supervisors review and approve amendments to Article IV-A of the San Diego County Administrative Code related to fees for the Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk and a resolution relating to rates for County Counsel.

Today’s recommended ordinance and resolution represent a comprehensive package that seeks to support the Finance and General Government Group services. The proposed changes are the result of an analysis of services provided to the public, processing times, and corresponding costs to provide those services. Over the past several months, the Finance and General Government Group reviewed a total of five fees, resulting in various new fees and proposed adjustments and determinations to maintain existing fees.

The Auditor and Controller has reviewed and approved the supporting documentation and the methodology for establishing the fees in this proposal for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

Today's actions include introducing an Ordinance amending Article IV-A of the San Diego County Administrative Code (first reading) so that it can be acted upon at the May 4, 2021 meeting (second reading) and adopt a resolution approving attorney and paralegal rates for the County Counsel.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

On April 6, 2021:

- 1. Pursuant to Article IX, section 143 of the San Diego County Administrative Code, adopt a Resolution entitled:  
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO COUNTY COUNSEL HOURLY BILLING RATES FOR ATTORNEY AND PARALEGAL SERVICES.
- 2. Approve the introduction of the following Ordinance (first reading):  
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 86.1, 86.5, AND 86.10 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES TO ADD FEES FOR DOCUMENT COPIES PROVIDED BY ELECTRONIC MAIL BY THE RECORDER AND COUNTY CLERK.

If on April 6, 2021, the Board takes action as recommended on Item 2 above, then on May 4, 2021:

3. Submit ordinance for further Board consideration and adoption (second reading):  
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 86.1, 86.5, AND 86.10 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES TO ADD FEES FOR DOCUMENT COPIES PROVIDED BY ELECTRONIC MAIL BY THE RECORDER AND COUNTY CLERK.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for these proposed rates are not included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for ARCC and County Counsel. If approved, the proposed fees will ensure full cost recovery for services provided. The proposed fee package for ARCC will ensure full cost recovery for services provided and is projected that \$32,085 of ARCC's funding will come from these fees. If approved, the proposed hourly rate for the Office of County Counsel's attorneys and paralegals will ensure full cost recovery for services provided, and it is projected that \$3,845,812 of County Counsel's funding will come from revenue generated from the hourly billable services provided to clients. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed fee changes are considered reasonable and too small to have a measurable impact on the local business community.

14. **SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:  
APPROVAL OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODES FOR  
AUDITOR AND CONTROLLER, EAST COUNTY ADVANCED WATER  
PURIFICATION JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY, AND SAN YSIDRO  
SCHOOL DISTRICT (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

The Board of Supervisors serves as the Code Reviewing Body for any local government, other than cities, with jurisdiction wholly within the County, per Government Code Section 82011. The recommended action would approve the adoption of the new code and proposed amendments of the Conflict of Interest codes submitted by the Auditor and Controller, East County Advanced Water Purification Joint Powers Authority, and San Ysidro School District.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Approve the Conflict of Interest codes amended or adopted by the following agencies:

1. Auditor and Controller
2. East County Advanced Water Purification Joint Powers Authority
3. San Ysidro School District

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The funding source for administration of this task is included in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Adopted Budget for the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. These reviews require minor costs, which may be recoverable from the State of California.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 15. SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:  
ISSUANCE OF REVENUE OBLIGATIONS BY THE CALIFORNIA  
ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF  
HANNA FENICHEL CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN AN  
AGGREGATE MAXIMUM AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000  
(DISTRICT: 3)**

### **OVERVIEW**

The County has received a request from the California Enterprise Development Authority (“CEDA” or “Authority”) to conduct a public hearing as required by the Internal Revenue Code and to approve the Authority’s issuance of one or more series of revenue obligations in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 (the “Revenue Obligations”), for the benefit of Hanna Fenichel Center for Child Development, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation (“Borrower”), and an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. The Borrower has applied for the financial assistance of the Authority to finance and refinance the cost of acquisition, construction, development, improvement, furnishing and equipping of the real property and improvements located at 336-340 North Acacia Avenue, Solana Beach, California 92075 and 345 North Highway 101, Solana Beach, California 92075, and paying certain costs of issuance in connection with the financing and other related costs.

The Authority is authorized to assist in financing of nonprofit public benefit organizations or for-profit corporations with a public benefit project wishing to issue or reissue Revenue Obligations, including the Borrower. In order to initiate such a financing, the Borrower is asking the County of San Diego, a member jurisdiction in which the project resides to: (1) conduct a public hearing to satisfy the public approval requirement of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code; and (2) approve the Authority’s reissuance of the Revenue Obligations. Although the Authority will be the issuer of the Revenue Obligations for the Borrower, the financing cannot proceed without the approval of an applicable legislative body.

Today’s recommendations will provide the Authority with the required authorization to pursue its determination to issue the Revenue Obligations on behalf of the Borrower.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, hold a public hearing regarding the financing of the Project.

2. Adopt a Resolution entitled:  
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE CALIFORNIA ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF ITS REVENUE OBLIGATIONS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE HANNA FENICHEL CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN AN AGGREGATE MAXIMUM STATED PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REFINANCING THE COST OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, DEVELOPMENT, IMPROVEMENT, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF FACILITIES, PROVIDING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR SUCH OBLIGATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

If approved, the proposal will result in approximately \$1,030 of unanticipated revenue to be used to reimburse the County for costs associated with this non-County financing.

The Borrower will be responsible for the payment of all present and future costs in connection with the financing. The County will incur no obligation of indebtedness as a result of these actions.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

16. **SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION DENOUNCING XENOPHOBIA AND ANTI-ASIAN RACISM AFFIRMING SAN DIEGO COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE WELL-BEING AND SAFETY OF ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

Since the December 2019 outbreak of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), Asian Pacific Islander (API) communities throughout the country have experienced a significant increase in acts of discrimination, racial profiling, microaggressions, violence, and hate crimes. While we know that racist incidents extend to other groups, the pandemic has exacerbated these actions against API and requires us to denounce it.

The California-based advocacy organization Stop AAPI Hate collected a reported 42 cases of racist incidents against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in San Diego County, mirroring a national trend of increased hate crimes. The organization's recorded over 2,800 firsthand accounts of anti-Asian hate from 47 states and the District of Columbia between the middle of March 2020 - when the pandemic hit - through the end of the year. According to their accounts, women were attacked 2 ½ times more than men.

Through this action the Board adopts a resolution to condemn anti-API hate and denounce xenophobia and anti-Asian racism.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER AND VICE-CHAIR NORA VARGAS**

Adopt the Resolution titled: A RESOLUTION DENOUNCING XENOPHOBIA AND ANTI-ASIAN RACISM AFFIRMING SAN DIEGO COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE WELL-BEING AND SAFETY OF ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 17. SUBJECT: RECEIVE THE REPORT BACK ON THE FRAMEWORK FOR CREATING AN EQUITABLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE LENS OF EQUITY, RACIAL JUSTICE, AND BELONGING (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

On January 12, 2021 (8) the Board of Supervisors passed a resolution declaring racism a public health crisis. Recognizing historic health, social, economic, and criminal justice disparities, the Board directed the Chief Administrative Officer to take bold actions that will begin to substantially transform our County values, policies, practices, and community engagement to be more inclusive, responsive, and anti-racist.

In declaring racism a public health crisis, the Board acknowledged that racism underpins health inequities throughout the region and has a substantial correlation to disproportionate impacts on the quality of life of county residents. As the public health agency for the region, the County has a responsibility to tackle this issue head-on to improve the overall health of our residents. The public health and racial inequity implications of County policies extend beyond decisions in County Public Health Services to all departments. The Board proposed measures to ensure that in making decisions, the County is promoting health equity, basing decisions on equity data, and engaging our communities in a participatory process.

In November of 2020, the County contracted with Urban Policy Development (UPD) Consulting and the Othering and Belonging Institute at UC Berkley to work with the San Diego County Leon Williams Human Relations Commission (HRC) to develop the Office of Equity and Racial Justice (OERJ) mission statement, roles, and responsibilities. Over the past few months, three community feedback meetings were held with over 200 participants. A survey was also sent to community stakeholders that garnered over 600 responses. An ad hoc committee of the HRC was formed to review the feedback from these community engagement activities and incorporate themes from the community into the mission statement.

Today's actions request the Board receive the report on the status of the recommendations, including the action plan for implementation and to receive the HRC adopted mission statement for the OERJ.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Receive the status report on the creation and implementation of the framework for Creating an Equitable County Government.
2. Receive the Leon Williams Human Relations Commission adoption of the Office of Equity and Racial Justice Mission Statement.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the Board's acceptance of the report; there is no change to net General Fund cost and no additional staff years. County staff will return to the Board at a later date, if necessary, for required approvals related to funding needed to implement actions resulting from these recommendations.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

### **18. SUBJECT: RECOVERING FROM COVID-19: FEE WAIVERS FOR THE EVENTS INDUSTRY (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The meeting and special events industry is an essential economic driver for the San Diego region, and in 2019, brought in 2.7 million visitors and \$3.5 billion in spending. However, the events industry has been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Statewide restrictions on this industry have persisted, and there have been little or no opportunities for these businesses to operate. Additional relief is needed to assist with a recovery to pre-pandemic levels.

Today's action represents a proactive step to facilitate economic recovery for the events industry. I am proposing to waive permit fees for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022 from the Department of Environmental Health and Quality (DEHQ), Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), the Sheriff's Department, and the San Diego County Fire Authority. The Chief Administration Officer will return with a resolution within 30 days that includes the fee waiver as part of the Board's regularly scheduled COVID-19 update.

I urge your support for this struggling industry.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

##### **CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER**

1. Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants and Revenue Contracts, Department Responsibility for Full Cost Recovery to waive Fiscal Year 2021-2022 permit fees for the events industry.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to return in 30 days with a resolution that includes a fee waiver for permit fees incurred by the events industry for fees pertaining to the Department of Environmental Health and Quality, Department of Parks and Recreation, Sheriff's Department, and San Diego County Fire Authority.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 CAO Recommended Operational Plan Change Letter in the Department of Environmental Health and Quality (DEHQ), the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), the Sheriff's Department, and the San Diego County Fire Authority. If approved, the waiver of events industry permit fees will reduce revenues by the following estimated amounts: \$1,137,000 in DEHQ, \$400,000 in DPR, \$118,280 in the Sheriff's Department, and \$6,000 in San Diego County Fire Authority. Pending guidance from the Treasury Department, the funding source will be American Rescue Plan Act funds. If fee waivers are unallowable expenses for the American Rescue Plan Act, DEHQ, DPR, the

Sheriff's Department, and the San Diego County Fire Authority will return to the Board to propose an alternative funding source. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

Waiving fees will have a positive impact on the San Diego County events industry and enable a swift recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

**19. SUBJECT: ADOPT AN URGENCY ORDINANCE EXERCISING THE COUNTY'S POLICE POWER TO PROHIBIT RESIDENTIAL EVICTIONS WITHOUT JUST CAUSE AND TO ENACT A MORATORIUM ON CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL RENT INCREASES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

The World Health Organization has declared a worldwide pandemic of the COVID-19 disease, also known as "novel coronavirus." As of March 22, 2021, there are 268,160 confirmed cases and 3,498 deaths in San Diego County. The need to limit the spread of the virus has limited business operations and the region's unemployment rate has reached unprecedented heights. According to the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), the unemployment rate in San Diego County reached an estimated 30.1% in May 2020, with disproportionately high unemployment rates in Black and Latinx communities. The economic reality posed by COVID-19 impacts the ability of residents and businesses to pay rent. While our region moves cautiously to reopen in a safe manner, the economic impacts will continue to be felt by San Diego residents. Many businesses have been permanently closed or partially reopened at reduced capacity. As such, full recovery is a long time away and relief is needed.

San Diego County issued a Local Health Emergency on February 14, 2020, which was followed by a State of Emergency from the California Governor on March 4, 2020. The Governor issued Executive Order N-28-20 on March 16, 2020 which provided local jurisdictions with the authority to enact moratoriums to prevent residential and commercial evictions based on impacts related to the COVID-19 virus. On August 21, 2020 Governor Newsom signed Assembly Bill No. 3088 which provided California renters unable to pay rent due to COVID-19-related financial distress certain temporary eviction protections until January 31, 2020. On January 29, 2021 Governor Newsom signed Senate Bill 91, which extended statewide eviction protections for California renters until June 30, 2021.

The current statewide renter protections offer only a limited range of protections and, due to the Local Health Emergency, San Diego County can extend stronger protections that will protect renters in all jurisdictions within the County.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **VICE-CHAIR NORA VARGAS**

Adopt the Ordinance:

**AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO EXERCISING THE COUNTY'S POLICE POWER TO PROHIBIT RESIDENTIAL EVICTIONS WITHOUT JUST CAUSE AND TO ENACT A MORATORIUM ON CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL RENT INCREASES.**

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

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

### **20. SUBJECT: UPDATING COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY GUIDING PRINCIPLES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

Community Choice Energy (CCE) is an energy supply program that allows cities and counties to meet local energy needs by aggregating the buying power of individual customers within a defined area to secure alternative energy supplies. The pooling of purchasing power to buy or generate electricity gives ratepayers the choice of where to purchase their power. Choice and competition are the bedrock of CCE. Today, there are twenty-three CCEs operating throughout the State, serving more than ten million customers, including two CCEs in San Diego County.

In 2019, the Board of Supervisors adopted an ordinance stating our intent to join a CCE. The Board also adopted five Guiding Principles setting County terms to establish a County CCE or to join others in forming a Joint Powers Authority (JPA). However, these Guiding Principles are not reflective of the ideals of the current board. The Guiding Principles that lead this program should align with our commitment to renewable energy, good-paying jobs, and environmental and social justice. As such, we are proposing the adoption of the following Revised Guiding Principles.

#### **Revised Guiding Principles**

1. Prioritize social equity and environmental stewardship.\
2. Provide cost competitiveness compared to the incumbent utility.
3. Achieve 100% renewable electricity by 2030; encourage within-County buildout of renewable energy, battery storage, and energy efficiency programs; and prioritize Category 1 renewable energy.
4. Support requirements for prevailing wages, as defined in California Labor Code section 1770 et seq., and skilled and trained workforce, as defined in California Public Contract Code section 2601, for CCE-owned generation, feed-in-tariff, and energy efficiency projects.
5. Encourage the development of an equitable jobs pipeline for individuals from communities of concern; the use of a bid evaluation policy prioritizing the selection of new local renewable energy and storage projects; and the workforce development criteria prioritizing the use of State-certified apprenticeship and proper assignment of work to crafts that traditionally perform the work, as permitted by applicable law.
6. Limit General Fund Liability.



Today's action revokes the previously adopted County Governance Guiding Principles, replaces them with the Revised Guiding Principles, and directs staff to discuss the County's potential participation with a local existing CCE Joint Powers Authority (JPA) and return to the Board with options for such participation based on the Revised Guiding Principles.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER AND SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

1. Revoke the previously adopted set of County Governance Guiding Principles and adopt the Revised Guiding Principles.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to engage in discussions with the San Diego Community Power and the Clean Energy Alliance CCE JPAs and return to the Board with options for potential County participation in those CCE JPAs consistent with the Revised Guiding Principles by August 2021.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's recommendations. Prior funding was allocated to the Department of General Services to support the development of the Feasibility Analysis and to support negotiations with Community Choice Energy providers.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 21. SUBJECT: FRAMEWORK TO ESTABLISH BUDGET EQUITY PRINCIPLES TO GUIDE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY'S ANNUAL BUDGET (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

County government is charged with providing critical community services and failing to assess and address the needs across different communities can have serious consequences for the people we serve. Recent efforts by the Board of Supervisors have established the County's commitment to advance equity and work towards the elimination of disparities that have impacted our communities for so long, especially our low-income and communities of color.

The County of San Diego's annual Operational Plan demonstrates our priorities as an institution. The budget development process, which includes creation, review, and adoption of a multi-billion-dollar budget, offers an opportunity to embed equity into our decision-making and operations. The creation of a countywide Budget Equity Assessment Tool would institutionalize and advance equity in our County and enhance our ability to serve the needs of impacted communities, especially low-income communities, and communities of color.

This Equity Assessment Tool would provide a strategy and framework for County departments to identify and address inequitable policies, procedures, and outcomes. This tool should be developed through a cooperative process that engages County staff from all departments, community stakeholders and County Supervisors, and should focus on four components: (1) applying an equity lens for all departments (2) utilization of department specific equity data (3) strengthen community engagement and (4) ensuring accountability.

Today's action directs the Chief Administrative Officer to establish a Budget Equity Assessment Tool to guide the annual budget process and advance equity in San Diego County. The Assessment Tool shall be implemented for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 annual budget and a draft of the tool, shall go before the Board of Supervisors within 180 days for consideration and final approval prior to its implementation. I strongly urge your support for the recommendations in this letter to ensure that funding allocations during the budget process are spent in an equitable matter to help reduce the longstanding disparities that exist in our County.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**  
**VICE-CHAIR NORA VARGAS**

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to:

1. Work with the County District 1 Office, Budget Office, Office of Equity and Racial Justice and other appropriate County departments to:
  - a. Establish a Budget Equity Assessment Tool to incorporate equity into the budget development process and day-to-day operations of County of San Diego Departments, with an implementation date for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget process. This tool should be applied annually by department leadership and financial staff as budget proposals and business plans for the following fiscal years area crafted. Guiding principles should include, but not limited to the following:
    - i. Evaluate whether and how budget requests either advance equitable outcomes for residents in the County or exacerbate inequality, especially for low-income and communities of color.
    - ii. Ensure that programs, services, and investments help reduce disparities throughout the County.
    - iii. Increase opportunities for community engagements to be part of the budget process.
2. Work with the Transparency Advisory Committee and Fiscal Realignment Advisory Committee, established on January 12, 2021, to identify priorities of the Board of Supervisors that should be reflected in the Equity Assessment Tool.
3. Designate staff from the Office of Equity and Racial Justice and County Department of Human Resources, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Division to coordinate with the Transparency Advisory Committee and Fiscal Realignment Advisory Committee and serve as a resource to County Departments during the creation and implementation of the tool.
4. Reevaluate the existing performance measures and strategic goals for every County department to incorporate equity-driven metrics.
5. Ensure all budget proposals consider department-specific data that is disaggregated, included but not limited to race/ethnicity and income level to support the department in determining the impact of proposed plans, programs, and services to inform the budget decision. Where such data is not available, direct County staff to begin collecting and tracking these data.
6. Require that all proposals put forward after the adoption of this board letter must include an Equity Impact Evaluation as part of the proposal.

7. Report back to the Board of Supervisors within 180 days with a draft of the tool. Create a community workgroup to provide feedback on the draft equity tool. Upon completion of the community workgroup and incorporation of their feedback, the final Budget Equity Assessment Tool shall return to the Board of Supervisors for final approval, prior to an implementation for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with these recommendations.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**22. SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF EARLY FRAUD PREVENTION/DETECTION- SAN DIEGO COUNTY PROJECT 100% (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

In April 1997, the Board of Supervisors approved an initiative with the District Attorney’s Office and the Health and Human Services Agency to implement Project 100% (P100). The initiative established a process within Early Fraud Prevention/Detection for Public Assistance ~~Investigators Investigations~~-(PAIs) to interview all Cal WORKs applicants to verify eligibility information supplied by the applicant before benefits are granted.

P100 ~~PAIs investigative officers~~ previously worked out of the District Attorney’s office. Currently, they are assigned to the Bureau of Public Assistance Investigations (BPAI) ~~Public Assistance Fraud (PAF)~~ division of the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS).

P100 “home visits” are generally scheduled with CalWORKs applicants and often can create significant stress and anxiety for applicants. Applicants feel the stigma of “home visits” adds another barrier to accessing services. Removing this piece of the verification process would allow folks to engage with the county more holistically when they most need support.

~~P100 “home visits” are generally unannounced and can create significant stress and anxiety for applicants. Perhaps more important, the program intrudes on the privacy of CalWORKs applicants by requiring them to allow investigators into their homes in order to complete the income eligibility verification process.—~~

San Diego County stands alone in requiring families who are experiencing poverty to open their homes to Investigators law enforcement when there is no evidence or reason to suspect fraud or any kind of wrongdoing.

San Diego County regularly fails to enroll a high percentage of eligible residents in major federal safety net programs, including CalFresh, Medi-Cal, and CalWORKs, at an estimated cost of \$1 billion lost annually to the local economy.

Policies like P100 are likely to dissuade people from applying for benefits. San Diego County should be doing everything it can to remove barriers to families in need of assistance to survive these difficult economic times. Elimination of P100 will be one vital step in this process.

P100 is not effective in discovering fraud. After the 2013 publication of a report by the Open Society Foundation on P100, which demonstrated that the County had been systematically

inflating the efficacy of the program for more than a decade, the County began to recode the data. Contemporary statistics indicate that the vast majority of P100 “home visits” result in no denial or reduction of benefits. This experience is consistent with that of Los Angeles County, which had a similar program from 1999 to 2008 called the Home Interview Program (HIP). LA County voluntarily terminated their program after concluding it was ineffective in discovering or deterring fraud. Ending the HIP program was a cost neutral action which resulted in staff positions being redeployed to alleviate workloads in other areas.

The average annual cost of P100 is approximately \$1.6 Million. A termination of P100 program will create an opportunity to fill critical vacancies within the HHSA. Termination will also create new opportunities to enhancing County investigations of wage theft, elder abuse (physical or financial), consumer scams, insurance/workers comp fraud, and other kinds of fraud.

Furthermore, by ending P100 the County shall redirect resources to get people out of poverty in a meaningful and less invasive way. Those redirected resources will provide access to jobs, build strong social safety nets, and increase people’s ability to thrive without needing to rely on state assistance.

Today’s actions request the Board to commit to ending Project 100%. The recommendations below will lay out a framework to meet this goal.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER AND VICE-CHAIR NORA VARGAS**

1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to take all necessary actions to immediately terminate Project 100%. This includes, but is not limited to, terminating mandatory applicant home visits and interviews as a pre-requisite in determining eligibility.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to report back to the Board by Tuesday June 8, 2021, with an update on the termination of Project 100% and the placement of the affected County staff.
3. In accordance with the County Charter and Civil Service Rules, direct the CAO to assist interested impacted employees in finding other job opportunities within the County.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

If approved, this request will have no impact on Fiscal Year 2020-21.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**23. SUBJECT: NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 4)**

**OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego is fortunate to have an opportunity to reinvest taxpayer money into our communities for the benefit of the public. This action will assist the County in meeting the needs of the community.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**  
**CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER**

1. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to San Diego Community Birth Center to purchase a standard door, a security screen door, soil for their community garden, 2 nitrous oxide machines with software, 3 handheld ultrasound machines with software, 3 keyfobs, fire extinguishers, and new shirts for their students.
2. Allocate \$44,632 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Feeding San Diego to purchase a barcoding system for their inventory management.
3. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to East Village Association, Inc. to provide funding for their East Village Night Market event to be able to purchase CDC approved PPE, cleaning supplies safety equipment, perimeter barricades, sanitizer stations, sanitizer refills, face masks, metering tools, COVID-19 informative banners and signage, thermometers, and emergency supplies.
4. Allocate \$25,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to VAPA (Visual and Performing Arts) Foundation for the purchase of much-needed new musical instruments and lockable storage racks for instruments at schools.
5. Allocate \$30,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to San Diego Community Birth Center to support the cost of International Board Certified Lactation Consultant credentials, licensure requirements, and stipends for Midwifery Students at San Diego Community Birth Center.
6. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Full Access & Coordinated Transportation, Inc. to assist San Diego County residents with Countywide transportation related to COVID-19 impacts as they continue to meet the demand for meal deliveries and rides to vaccination sites, jobs, shelters, and for other essential needs through the recovery phase of the COVID-19 pandemic.
7. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to San Diego Mountain Biking Association for the partial funding of staff salaries (Executive Director and Trail Coordinator/Intern) to allow them to increase capacity to efficiently reach project timelines to provide better trails for all users and to provide funding for printed materials, video production, trail bells/boxes, and other assets to promote trail etiquette and community engagement among all trail users on their multi-use trails in San Diego County.
8. Allocate \$30,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Iftin Charter School to partially fund the salary of a Reading Interventionist Tutor (who will work extensively with students who are reading below grade level and to help them improve specific reading skills) and a Math Interventionist Tutor (who will focus on supporting students' understanding through explicit instruction based on diagnostic assessments) and to also cover the costs of parent training workshops, STEM programs, and their English Language Development Newcomer Program.
9. Allocate \$5,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Fern Street Community Arts Inc. to provide funding for their Vaccine Equity & Education Program to create vaccine education pop-ups to reach hesitant communities in City Heights.

10. Find that the grant awards described above have a public purpose.
11. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/Chief Financial Officer to execute grant agreements or amendments to existing agreements with the organizations awarded Neighborhood Reinvestment Program funds and Community Enhancement Program funds establishing terms for receipt of the funds described above and to make minor amendments to the agreements that are consistent with the general purpose of the grants but do not increase the grant.
12. Find that the grant identified in Recommendation No. 1 is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) by Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$100,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) and \$99,632 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) totaling \$199,632. Funds for these requests are included in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15665) and Community Enhancement Program (Org 12900). The funding source is General Purpose Revenue and Transient Occupancy Tax Revenues. These actions will not result in the addition of staff years or other costs.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

#### **24. SUBJECT: NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 5)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

Neighborhood Reinvestment Program funding assists nonprofit organizations in providing essential services to citizens of San Diego County. Reinvesting taxpayer money in worthwhile organizations is a benefit to the citizens and communities of North County.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

##### **SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND**

1. Allocate \$25,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to Alpha Project for the Homeless to help with the purchase of a passenger van for homeless outreach and treatment transportation in North San Diego County.
2. Allocate \$35,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to the Borrego Springs Performing Arts Center to help with the replacement and installation of theater stage lighting and equipment located at 590 Palm Canyon Drive, Borrego Springs, CA 92004.
3. Allocate \$50,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Carlsbad to help with the purchase of roof replacement, shade structure improvements and to install title wainscoting to the hallway located at 2730 Bressi Ranch Way and 3115 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad, CA 92009.

4. Allocate \$100,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to Boys and Girls Club of San Marcos to help offset building improvement costs for such things as electrical, millwork, drywall and flooring for the new Autumn Drive Branch facility located at 413 Autumn Drive, San Marcos, CA 92069.
5. Allocate \$45,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to Coastal Roots Farm to help with the purchase of a refrigerated delivery van for the Organic Food Distribution Program.
6. Allocate \$25,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to The Jewish Collaborative, San Diego to assist with solar panel installation costs for their facility located at 7805 Centella Street, Carlsbad, CA 92009.
7. Allocate \$15,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to Just in Time for Foster Youth to help with technology upgrades such as laptops, headphones, WIFI, small workplace set-ups and to purchase and install a video conferencing system to help participants stay virtually connected.
8. Allocate \$17,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to the NAMM Foundation dba Museum of Making Music for the purchase of learning stations that serve low-income students.
9. Allocate \$44,654 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to the North County Fire Protection District to replace aging extrication tool sets.
10. Allocate \$14,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to North County Health Project Incorporated to provide critically needed equipment including a steam sterilizer and diabetic retinopathy camera for the mobile medical/dental unit to serve hard-to-reach populations in North San Diego County.
11. Allocate \$40,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to the Oceanside Theatre Company to help with capital costs to upgrade two restrooms and install an HVAC unit located at 217-219 N. Coast Hwy, Oceanside, CA 92054.
12. Allocate \$15,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to Palomar Family Counseling Service, Inc. to help with the purchase of equipment such as acrylic guards, computers, tablets, an electronic health record system and to update accessibility of their facility with automatic swing doors.
13. Allocate \$45,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to the Pendleton Community Service Fund to assist with the purchase of a donation truck for needy Armed Services families at Camp Pendleton.
14. Allocate \$20,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to Refuge for Women, Inc. to cover capital and construction costs to renovate a recovery home for sex trafficking survivors at a confidential address in Escondido.
15. Allocate \$45,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to Rock to Recovery to assist with the purchase of a passenger van.

16. Allocate \$15,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to The Vision of Children to help with the purchase of lab equipment, marketing and promotion materials including paper, Post-Its, programs, posters, signage, glue sticks, postage, note pads, business cards, letter printing materials and envelopes, and office equipment such as software, printer ink and toner.
17. Allocate \$30,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to the Vista Historical Society to help with the paving and base cost of the parking lot and driveway located at located at 2317 Old Foothill Drive, Vista, CA 92084.
18. Allocate \$25,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to the Vista Rotary Foundation to assist with the completion of the setting of the Memorial Wall by installing landscaping and irrigation at Vista Village Drive between Main Street and Civic Center Drive, Vista, CA 92084.
19. Allocate \$10,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15670) to Voices for Children will help with one-time media, web, and advertising costs to increase diversity among CASA volunteers.
20. Find that these grants have a public purpose.
21. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/Chief Financial Officer to execute grant agreements with the organizations awarded grants establishing terms for receipt of the funds described above and to make minor amendments to the agreements that are consistent with the general purpose of the grant but do not increase the grant.
22. Find that the allocations identified in Recommendation No. 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 12, 14, 17 and 18 are exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$615,654. Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operational Plan for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15670). The funding source is General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 25. SUBJECT: AMENDING LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION RELATED TO BACKGROUND CHECKS ON FIREARM PURCHASES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

Even amid the COVID-19 pandemic, shootings and firearm-related incidents in the United States reached a 20-year-peak in 2020 according to data from the Gun Violence Archive. The County Board of Supervisors voted to adopt a new legislative platform on January 13, 2021, to actively engage on legislation at the state and federal levels that “protects the safety of those in our community.” Given the ongoing crisis of mass shootings in America, we recommend that the



Board direct the Chief Administrative Officer to update the County's Legislative Program to affirm the County's support for state and federal legislation that furthers gun reforms related to background checks for firearm purchases, budgetary commitments to invest in the communities most impacted by everyday gun violence, and/or new oversight and accountability measures for the gun industry. These are the priorities recently supported by a joint coalition of gun violence prevention organizations, including Brady United Against Gun Violence, the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence, Community Justice Action Fund, Giffords, March For Our Lives, Newtown Action Alliance, States United to Prevent Gun Violence, and Survivors Empowered.-

More than 41,500 people died by gun violence in the United States in 2020, marking the first time since at least 1981 the number has surpassed 40,000, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This figure includes more than 23,000 individuals who died by suicide using a firearm.

Mass shootings, which are incidents where more than four people are injured or killed by a firearm, reached a five-year-peak last year, representing a nearly 50 percent increase compared to 2019 according to the Gun Violence Archive and the Britannia Group.

In keeping with this tragic trend, mass shootings have continued to roil the United States this year, prompting heightened calls for federal action to adopt common-sense gun regulations and greater awareness about the disproportionate impacts of firearm violence on communities of color. On March 16, 2021, a shooter killed eight people at three spa/massage parlor locations in the Atlanta, Georgia area. Six of the victims were Asian women. While the shooter has not been charged with a hate crime at the time of this writing, Asian American and Pacific Islander groups across the nation saw the incident as watershed moment that underscored the potentially violent consequences of racism directed against Asians during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Georgia shooting highlighted the inequitable impact mass shootings have on minorities. For example, Black Americans represent nearly 70 percent of homicide victims in big cities, many of which involve firearms, according to non-profit firearm reform advocacy group Everytown for Gun Safety.

Following the Georgia mass shooting and another mass shooting in Boulder, Colorado on March 22, 2021, President Biden called for Congress to pass stronger background check laws.

The U.S. House of Representatives passed two bills on March 11, 2021, to address gun violence. H.R. 8 would close a loophole that allows private gun sales made by private unlicensed sellers, such as those online or at a gun show, to avoid background checks. H.R. 1446 would provide the FBI with more time to conduct background checks for gun sales, extending the period from three days to ten days.

Background checks are very popular according to polling. 92 percent of respondents in a 2018 Gallup poll supported universal background checks. A poll conducted by Everytown conducted after the 2020 election found 93 percent of Americans want universal background checks. 65 percent of Republicans and 67 percent of gun owners reported strong support in the poll.

Approval of this item would add this as a priority issue for the County's legislative platform, and authorize the County to support legislation, such as H.R. 8, H.R. 1446, or others, that support more robust gun background checks.

This action is consistent with the current County Legislative Program Priority Issues, as unanimously approved by the Board of Supervisors in January 2021, which states, “The County of San Diego will engage in legislation that protects the safety of those in our community” and “[i]t is vital not only that crime rates remain low, but that the community feels safe where they live, work, and play.”

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to amend the Legislative Program Priority Issues and Guidelines to reflect the County’s support for state and federal legislation that furthers gun reforms related to background checks for firearm purchases, budgetary commitments to invest in the communities most impacted by everyday gun violence, and/or new oversight and accountability measures for the gun industry.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

26. **SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT FROM DR. DELORES A. JACOBS, PH.D. (DISTRICT: 3)**

**OVERVIEW**

Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer has identified the need to develop the hard and soft skills of her team to ensure every staff member is equipped to serve District 3 constituents with knowledge of the district and county systems. To achieve this result, this letter requests a contract for strategic planning and staff development services with Dr. Delores A. Jacobs considering her significant experience and expertise in organizational and team diversity building, and her unique knowledge of the San Diego region.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

Authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to negotiate, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, enter into an agreement with Delores A. Jacobs, Ph.D. for up to \$50,000 to provide strategic planning consulting services to Supervisor Lawson-Remer’s County office. Waive Board Policy A-87.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021 operational plan.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**27. SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT FOR MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING AND SUPPORT FROM MATTER STRATEGIES, LLC (DISTRICT: 3)**

**OVERVIEW**

A strong communications program is vital for Supervisors to keep constituents apprised and engaged in democracy at the county level. To effectively achieve this result, it is necessary to engage a highly skilled and knowledgeable consultant to facilitate and assist Supervisor Lawson-Remer's Office in developing an overall communications strategy for proactive engagement with constituents and stakeholders gathering input from community, structuring strong messages inclusive of their needs, building out social and traditional media channels.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

Authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to negotiate, and upon successful negotiations, and determination of a fair and reasonable price, enter into an agreement with Matter Strategies, LLC for up to \$85,000 for an initial period of 12-months, with one 12-month option period, subject to availability of funding, for media and communication consulting services to Supervisor Lawson-Remer's County office. Waive Board Policy A-87.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021 operational plan.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**28. SUBJECT: GENERAL SERVICES - APPROVAL OF SECOND AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE CASA DE ORO LIBRARY, 9805 CAMPO ROAD, SPRING VALLEY (DISTRICT: 2)**

**OVERVIEW**

On September 12, 2001 (13), the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved a lease for space located at 9805 Campo Road in the unincorporated community of Spring Valley for use as the Casa De Oro Library. On October 31, 2006 (11), the Board approved an amendment to the lease that increased the size of the premises to 6,308 square feet. The lease expires on April 24, 2021 and there are no options to extend the term.

Staff from the Department of General Services has negotiated an amendment to the lease that would extend the term of the lease through April 24, 2024 and includes two one-year options to further extend the term. Today's request is for Board approval of the second amendment to lease agreement.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Find that the proposed lease amendment is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15301.
2. Approve and authorize the Director, Department of General Services, to execute the second amendment to lease agreement for space located at 9805 Campo Road, Spring Valley.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Operational Plan and will be included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for County Library. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of approximately \$26,358 in Fiscal Year 2020-21 and \$158,148 in Fiscal Year 2021-22 for rent, maintenance and janitorial. The funding source is County Library property tax revenues. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 29. SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AND THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT RELATED TO FLEET SERVICES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

## **OVERVIEW**

The San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) ceased to be part of the County of San Diego (County) organizational structure on March 1, 2021 when California Assembly Bill 423 (Gloria, 2019) amended the California Health and Safety Code to require the composition of the APCD Board to include County, City, and public members. On August 5, 2020 (14), your Board authorized the execution of a services agreement between the County and APCD to specify the services to be provided by the County, including fleet services. The County's Administrative Code only authorizes the Department of General Services (DGS) to provide fleet management services to County-owned vehicles.

Today's proposed action would authorize DGS to provide APCD with fleet management services for vehicles that are not County-owned and transfer title to APCD on the 54 vehicles purchased by APCD. The proposed action would also authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to amend the agreement between the County and APCD to implement this change and to clarify the parties' responsibilities with regard to indemnity and insurance.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Authorize the Department of General Services to provide fleet management services, including procurement, disposal, repairs, preventative maintenance, and fueling, to the San Diego Air Pollution Control District for vehicles that are not County-owned.
2. Authorize the Director, Department of General Services, to transfer title to the subject vehicles from the County of San Diego to the San Diego Air Pollution Control District.
3. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute an amendment to the services agreement between the County of San Diego and the San Diego Air Pollution Control District to remove the requirement that vehicles be County-owned to be eligible for fleet management services and to revise other provisions including insurance and indemnity.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no direct fiscal impact as a result of today’s requested action. If approved, the amendment to the Services Agreement will not result in a change to the service level. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**30. SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

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

**RECOMMENDATION(S)  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Note and file.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**31. SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

These appointments are in accordance with applicable Board Policy A-74, “Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees,” Board Policy I-1, “Planning and Sponsor Group Policies and Procedures,” and Board Policy A-77, “Appointments to Fill Vacancies and Cancellation of Election where Insufficient Nominations Filed Prior to Uniform District Election and Citizen Planning Group Election.”

**RECOMMENDATION(S)  
CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER**

Appoint Amina Sheik Mohamed to the BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB), Seat No. 14, for a term to expire April 6, 2024.

Appoint Saurabh Gupta to the BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB), Seat No. 15, for a term to expire April 6, 2024.

**CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER AND VICE-CHAIR NORA VARGAS**  
Appoint Khylan Bolden to the CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO, Seat No. 11, for a term to expire April 30, 2023.

Appoint Mara Madrigal-Weiss to the CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO, Seat No. 18, for a term to expire April 30, 2023.

Appoint Sandra Mueller to the CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO, Seat No. 20, for a term to expire April 30, 2023.

**SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON**

Appoint Jimmy Taylor to the BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB), COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, Seat No. 6, previously appointed to Seat No. 3, for a term to expire March 12, 2024.

Appoint Thomas Girard to the FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMISSION, Seat No. 2, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Waive Board Policy A-74, “Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees,” and re-appoint Judith Shaplin to the HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY COMMISSION (HSAB), Seat No. 3, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Re-appoint William R. Geckeler to the JESS MARTIN PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE, Seat No. 2, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Re-appoint James B. Schaible to the JESS MARTIN PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE, Seat No. 3, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Blakely Long to the JESS MARTIN PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE, Seat No. 5, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Re-appoint Ralph Deem to the JESS MARTIN PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE, Seat No. 6, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Susan Yepiz to the VALLE DE ORO COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP, Seat No. 13, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

**SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

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

Appoint Tashi MacMillen to the FISH AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, Seat No. 5, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Waive Board Policy A-74, “Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees,” and re-appoint Jeff C. Kane to the SAN DIEGO COUNTY CAPITAL ASSET LEASING CORP (SANCAL), Seat No. 3, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

**SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND**

Appoint Simona Ruderman to the HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, LEON L. WILLIAMS SAN DIEGO COUNTY, Seat No. 31, for a term to expire January 2, 2023.

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Appoint Aimee Cox as a primary member to the COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP ADMINISTERING BOARD, Seat No. 15, for a term to expire April 6, 2024.

Appoint Connor Vaughs as an alternate member to the COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP ADMINISTERING BOARD, Seat No. 25, for a term to expire April 6, 2024.

Appoint Shawn Wray as an alternate member to the EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE, Seat No. 8, for a term to expire June 13, 2021.

Re-appoint Christopher Scott as a primary member to the EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE, Seat No. 15, for a term to expire September 12, 2023.

Re-appoint Chara Cote as a primary member to the EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE, Seat No. 29, for a term to expire March 13, 2024.

Re-appoint Christine Wells as an alternate member to the EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE, Seat No. 30, for a term to expire March 13, 2024.

Appoint Brent Morton to the HIV PLANNING GROUP, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, Seat No. 6, for a term to expire April 6, 2025.

Appoint Allan Acevedo to the HIV PLANNING GROUP, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, Seat No. 8, for a term to expire April 6, 2025.

Appoint Roger al-Chaikh to the HIV PLANNING GROUP, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, Seat No. 26, for a term to expire March 12, 2023.

Appoint Aaron Heier to the HIV PLANNING GROUP, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, Seat No. 42, for a term to expire June 23, 2024.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**32. SUBJECT: PREVENTING COUNTY FEE INCREASES AND EXTENDING FEE DEFERRALS DURING THE ONGOING COVID-19 PANDEMIC (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

In response to the global COVID-19 pandemic, the County took several actions to provide relief to small businesses adversely impacted by the pandemic. These actions included the immediate deferral of various fees paid to County departments for activities related to the issuance of food facility annual health permits, plan checks and late fees. Additional action was taken to alter business processes and included fee and lease waivers and deferrals, ordinance amendments, new programs, and extended services to further assist to local businesses.

Based on Board direction, several County departments postponed planned fee increases during the pandemic, covering budget shortfalls by using reserves and other funding sources such as General Fund fund balance. In an effort to comply with Board Policy B-29 – Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts – Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery, several County departments in the Land Use and Environment Group have recently proposed increases to various program and activity fees. The proposed actions would increase fees for programs and activities involving the following departments: Planning & Development Services, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Department of Environmental Health and Quality, and the Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures.

Although the San Diego region recently returned to the less restrictive Red Tier and is starting to demonstrate signs of economic recovery, San Diego’s business community has only begun its recovery from the global COVID-19 pandemic. The Board has committed to assisting businesses by approving the use of \$30 million to provide stimulus grants to small businesses. Increasing fees at this time would counter the Board’s objectives and could threaten the region’s economic recovery efforts.

In recognizing the adverse impacts that additional costs would have on the region’s economy, the San Diego County Taxpayers Association recently announced its opposition to the imposition of any new taxes or fees by any local agency until the economy returns to pre-COVID-19 levels.

The federal government recently enacted the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act stimulus package to assist Americans with their continued recovery from the global pandemic. The County of San Diego anticipates receiving approximately \$647.5 million in ARP funds. Although the County is awaiting additional guidance from the federal government concerning the use of these funds, they could serve as a potential source to cover revenue gaps in departmental budgets for the next fiscal year.

As a result of this federal assistance and recognition that the economic recovery is still in its initial stages, I am proposing that the County not move forward with the planned imposition of the fee increases proposed for FY 2021-22 and investigate the use of ARP funds to cover any projected departmental shortfalls. I am also proposing that the County extend the option for our customers to defer until September 30, 2021, the payment of fees for the deferral programs that expired on March 31, 2021.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON**

1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to not move forward with the proposed FY 2021-22 fee, deposit and hourly rates increases for programs and activities related to the following departments: Planning & Development Services, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Department of Environmental Health and Quality, and the Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures (Items number 2, 3, and 4 on the Land Use Agenda of the Board of Supervisors for April 7 and May 5).
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to extend the option for County customers to defer until September 30, 2021, the payment of fees for the deferral programs that expired on March 31, 2021.



3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to allocate funding from the American Rescue Plan Act to fund the budget shortfalls associated with the proposed FY 2021-22 fee increases for the following departments: Planning & Development Services, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Department of Environmental Health and Quality, and the Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures and also any operating budget shortfalls for departments from the deferral of payments extended until September 30, 2021.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The Fiscal Year 2021-22 fee, deposit and hourly rates proposed on the April 7 and May 5 Land Use Agenda of the Board of Supervisors by the departments of Planning & Development Services, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Department of Environmental Health and Quality, and the Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures equate to \$1,988,699.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

Postponing proposed fee increases will have a positive impact on San Diego's business community and assist with the region's continued economic recovery.

## **33. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

- A. 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)
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
Miguel Villa v. County of San Diego, et al.; United States District Court, Southern District No. 20-cv-0537-CAB-NLS
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
640 Tenth LP v. County of San Diego, et al.; San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2021-00001129-CU-MC-CTL
- D. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
Endangered Habitats League v. California Department of Fish & Wildlife, et al.; San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2019-00039198-CU-TT-CTL
- E. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
Endangered Habitats League v. County of San Diego, et al.; San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2020-00022883-CU-TT-CTL

- F. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
Village Communities, LLC v. County of San Diego; United States District Court,  
Southern District, No. 20-cv-01896-BEN-DEB
  
- G. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
Citizens for a Friendly Airport v. County of San Diego; San Diego Superior Court  
Case No. 37-2018-00057624-CU-TT-CTL
  
- H. C CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
County of San Diego v. DeLorenzo International, Inc., et al.; San Diego Superior  
Court Case No. 37-2020-00064536-CU-BC-CTL
  
- I. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)  
Clive Morgan v. County of San Diego, et al.; San Diego Superior Court Case No.  
37-2019-00035669-CU-OR-CTL
  
- J. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT  
(Government Code section 54957)  
Title: County Counsel