

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025, 9:00 AM AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025, 9:00 AM**  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER,  
BOARD CHAMBER, ROOM 310  
1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

**GENERAL LEGISLATIVE SESSION**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025, 9:00 AM**

Order Of Business

- A. Roll Call
- B. Statement (just cause) and/or Consideration of a Request to Participate Remotely (emergency circumstances) by a Supervisor, if applicable.
- C. Invocation
- D. Pledge of Allegiance
- E. Presentation or Announcement of Proclamations and Awards
- F. Non-Agenda Public Communication: Individuals can address the Board on topics within its jurisdiction that are not on the agenda. According to the Board's Rules of Procedure, each person may speak at only one Non-Agenda Public Communication session per meeting. Speakers can choose to speak during either the General Legislative or Land Use Legislative Session.
- G. Approval of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the sessions of November 18, 2025 and November 19, 2025; and, minutes for concurrent Special District meetings of the Flood Control District on August 27, 2025; Housing Authority on November 5, 2025; Redevelopment Successor Agency on June 24, 2025; and, Sanitation District on August 27, 2025 and November 18, 2025.
- H. Consent Agenda
- I. Discussion Items
- J. Board Member Committee Updates. This is an opportunity for Members of the Board to provide informational updates on their committee assignments. No action may be taken.
- K. Recess to Wednesday, December 10, 2025, at 9:00 am for the Land Use Legislative Session

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## **Board of Supervisors' Agenda Items**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

All agenda items listed under this section are considered to be routine and will be acted upon with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Board of Supervisors or the Chief Administrative Officer so requests, in which event, the item will be considered separately in its normal sequence.

<b>Category</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Public Safety	1.	EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES TO RELOCATE THE SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL AT THE DECOMMISSIONED SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION (SONGS) TO AN OFF-SITE LOCATION FOR REPROCESSING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
	2.	SHERIFF - REQUEST APPROVAL FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT OF STANDARD RADIO EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES
	3.	SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR PHARMACY SERVICES AT DETENTION FACILITIES
	4.	RATIFY ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS FROM THE ELIZABETH S. SMALLFELT REVOCABLE TRUST AND JOAN WALSH-SZOTT (4 VOTES)
	5.	AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS AND ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CORPS PROGRAM IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY (4 VOTES)
Health and Human Services	6.	AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 84.702 AND 84.705 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO THE CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY
	7.	AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING TO ADDRESS SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS, SUPPORT HARM REDUCTION SERVICES, AND APPLY FOR FUTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

8. AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING FOR THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM, HOUSING NAVIGATION AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM, AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM PLUS HOUSING SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM AND ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF ALLOCATION AWARDS
9. SUPPORT FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYERS AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF CALHOME PROGRAM MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE FUNDS AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR, AND RECEIPT OF, PROHOUSING INCENTIVE PROGRAM FUNDS
10. AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, HOMELESS HOUSING, ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION PROGRAM ROUND 6 GRANT FUNDING
11. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DATES AND TIMES FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN 2026
12. DELEGATION OF INVESTMENT AUTHORITY TO THE TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR AND APPROVAL OF THE INVESTMENT POLICY
13. ONLINE PUBLIC AUCTION TAX SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY
14. SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (SDCERA) RETIREMENT BOARD ELECTION - SEVENTH MEMBER (SAFETY) AND ALTERNATE MEMBER (SAFETY)
15. APPROVE COMPENSATION AGREEMENT REGARDING CHINESE HISTORICAL MUSEUM SITE RETAINED BY CITY OF SAN DIEGO FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT
16. APPROVE COMPENSATION AGREEMENT REGARDING NAVAL TRAINING CENTER/LIBERTY STATION PROPERTY RETAINED BY CITY OF SAN DIEGO FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT
17. APPROVE COMPENSATION AGREEMENT REGARDING WALKER SCOTT PROPERTY RETAINED BY CITY OF SAN DIEGO FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

Financial and  
General  
Government

18. GENERAL SERVICES - APPROVE FIRST AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S CENTRAL BRANCH, 451 A STREET, SAN DIEGO AND NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
19. APPROVING THE REISSUANCE OF MULTIFAMILY HOUSING REVENUE OBLIGATIONS BY THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$55,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF THE VISTA LANE FAMILY APARTMENTS
20. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:  
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:  
ADOPT AN ORDINANCE ADDING ARTICLE LXV OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS TO COUNTY FACILITIES (November 18, 2025- First Reading; December 9, 2025 - Second Reading unless ordinance is modified on second reading)
21. APPROVAL OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODES: VARIOUS AGENCIES
22. APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS
23. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

<b>Category</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Financial and General Government	24.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 FIRST QUARTER OPERATIONAL PLAN STATUS REPORT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS (4 VOTES)
Public Safety	25.	SHERIFF UPDATE ON SAN DIEGO COUNTY DETENTION FACILITIES INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS
Financial and General Government	26.	OPPOSING OFFSHORE OIL DRILLING IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATERS
	27.	HOMEOWNERS, SENIORS, VETERANS, AND FAMILIES HOMEOWNERSHIP TAX RELIEF & INCREASING HOUSING FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOMEOWNERSHIP THROUGH MODIFICATION OF THE FEDERAL EXCLUSION FROM CAPITAL GAINS TAXES ON HOME SALES

28. ADOPT A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING STATE LEGISLATION TO ENHANCE REPRESENTATION FOR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES ON THE SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS
29. 2026 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM
30. EXPLORING COUNTY PARTNERSHIPS TO EXPAND AFFORDABLE CLEAN POWER FOR LOW-INCOME SAN DIEGANS
31. UPDATE ON THE COUNTYWIDE FOOD CONTRACT
32. RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON ADVANCING TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN OUR HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE

Health and  
Human Services

**1. SUBJECT: EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES TO RELOCATE THE SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL AT THE DECOMMISSIONED SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION (SONGS) TO AN OFF-SITE LOCATION FOR REPROCESSING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

Throughout the United States (U.S.) there are currently 95 licensed commercial nuclear power plants (reactors) in operation, generating roughly 20% of the nation's electricity. Additionally, close to 20 commercial nuclear reactors in the U.S. have been permanently shut down and are either undergoing or have completed the decommissioning process, which includes dismantling, site cleanup, and environmental restoration. The San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) located in the northwest corner of the County of San Diego (County), adjacent to San Onofre State Beach and approximately 10 miles south of the City of San Clemente, was operated from 1968 to 2013. It ceased all nuclear operations in June of 2013 due to excessive vibrations and other issues that degraded tubes in the steam generators. SONGS is currently in year five of an eight-year dismantling process of facilities and equipment at the site.

The fission process in which power is derived from a nuclear reactor (e.g., splitting uranium nuclei) produces radioactive waste, typically referred to as spent nuclear fuel (SNF). These are highly hazardous materials left over in the fuel assemblies from the fission reactions that took place in the core of the reactor. To protect the public and the environment from radiological contamination and minimize the risk of nuclear weapons proliferation, these materials must be stored extremely carefully and with the highest-level security. To ensure the proper and safe long-term storage of the nation's SNF it must ultimately be relocated to a deep geological repository (repository) several hundreds of meters below the Earth's surface. Such a facility would provide a stable, secure, and isolated environment that allows the SNF to undergo radioactive decay over time, safely separated from people and the biosphere.

The Nuclear Waste Policy Amendment Act of 1987 identified Yucca Mountain in Nevada as the nation's only site for a repository; however, due to opposition from the state's congressional leaders, local governments and residents, Yucca Mountain is no longer considered a realistic candidate. Due to the lack of a national repository, nuclear power plants throughout the country are left storing their SNF onsite in interim storage facilities. This includes SONGS, which continues to store roughly 1,400 metric tons in dry cask storage (combination of steel canisters and concrete barriers).

Because there is no solution in the foreseeable future for a permanent off-site repository, we must be open to alternative paths that could reduce and/or eliminate the amount of SNF currently being held at SONGS. One such path would be to reprocess the SNF in advanced nuclear reactors and/or other emerging technologies and methods at an off-site location. Reprocessing broadly refers to separating out the "unburned" fuel (uranium and plutonium) from the "spent" materials produced by the nuclear fission that took place in the reactor when it was operating and producing power. Nearly 95% of SNF consists of uranium and 1% is made up of plutonium that was produced during fission reactions within the uranium fuel. Both the leftover uranium and plutonium in SNF can be used for new fuel.

The conventional means for reprocessing SNF is the PUREX (plutonium-uranium extraction) method, which chemically separates the uranium and plutonium and converts each to a powder form that can be turned into new fuel “pellets.” These pellets are what make up the fuel in the assemblies used to sustain fission reactions in nuclear power plants. Though the PUREX method is effective, a longstanding issue with the process - and in large part why the U.S. abandoned commercial reprocessing decades ago - is that it produces a resource stream of fully separated *weapons-useable* plutonium. In the wrong hands this material could be used to produce a nuclear weapon, increasing proliferation risks. However, other emerging technologies and advanced methods may show promise in being able to reprocess SNF in a way that extracts uranium only without separating the plutonium. This includes methods like UREX (uranium extraction only), pyro processing (high-temperature electrochemical extraction) and electrometallurgical refining (molten salt/electrolysis extraction).

For example, Oklo, Inc. (Oklo), a California-based company in the business of building advanced fission reactors, is actively working in close coordination with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Argonne National Laboratory to build the first privately funded reprocessing facility in Oak Ridge, TN. Oklo is pursuing advanced reprocessing methods that would not create pure streams of plutonium, producing a fuel profile suited for advanced (fast) fission reactors. They plan to produce new fuel from SNF at a commercial scale by the late 2020s to early 2030s. Furthermore, the Idaho National Laboratory, hosting some of the nation’s most cutting-edge facilities for nuclear energy research and development, is actively pursuing research into advanced nuclear fuels, advanced nuclear reactors, microreactors, molten salt reactors, and much more. Partnering with one or both National Laboratories may provide significant benefits and ultimately expedite the removal and relocation of the SNF at SONGS to an off-site location for research and development. It’s in this spirit of innovation and problem solving that a renewed interest is taking hold in some federal lawmakers and industry stakeholders. As a County, we should position ourselves to participate this “nuclear renaissance” and join in the growing demand to finally do something with the SNF sitting in perpetual limbo at sites throughout the country.

Today’s item directs the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to explore opportunities to relocate the SNF currently being held in interim storage at SONGS to an off-site location for reprocessing research and development.

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

1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to explore opportunities to support initiatives that advance efforts toward reprocessing the spent nuclear fuel currently being held in interim storage at the decommissioned San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), and report back to the Board in 90 days with results, including any costs and potential funding source(s) associated with potential future actions. The report should include policy, legislative and/or technological options that may include, but not be limited to:
  - a. Establishing or expanding upon existing Board of Supervisors (Board) policies to support advancements in reprocessing spent nuclear fuel to help reduce the footprint and/or expedite the relocation of spent nuclear fuel at SONGS to an off-site location for reprocessing research and development. This may include adding language to the County’s legislative program to support state and federal

legislation that would advance efforts to reprocess spent nuclear fuel. Broadly speaking, policy language should emphasize safety and best practices, applying the latest in technological innovations, and reducing nuclear weapons proliferation risks.

- b. Explore potential partnerships with an established national laboratory for research and development focused on reprocessing the spent nuclear fuel (SNF) currently stored at SONGS. The objective would be to move the SNF to an off-site facility for research on advanced reprocessing techniques and its use in powering next generation / advanced reactors. This will take close coordination and engagement with multiple stakeholders including but not limited to Southern California Edison, San Diego Gas & Electric (SDGE), City of Riverside, County of Orange, Spent Fuel Solutions coalition, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and other relevant state and federal agencies, industry leaders in advanced nuclear technologies, community members, and a national laboratory under the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), such as the Idaho National Laboratory and/or the Argonne National Laboratory.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Storing spent nuclear fuel (SNF) in interim facilities at SONGS may be perceived as posing a health and safety concern for surrounding communities. By advocating for the relocation of the SNF currently held at SONGS for reprocessing research and development, we can take a concrete step in the direction of reducing or eliminating the amount currently being held within our region, providing benefits to surrounding communities that are most immediately concerned with perceived health and safety impacts.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

As a County government we must be committed to responsible resource management to reduce impacts on the environment, existing communities and future generations. Storing spent nuclear fuel (SNF) at SONGS without a solution for a permanent off-site repository increases the environmental risks associated with nuclear energy, specifically at the local community level. Pursuing efforts to reduce - and ultimately eliminate - the amount of SNF currently held in interim storage at SONGS demonstrates a thoughtful and responsible consideration for managing hazardous waste located in the County.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan based on existing staff time in the Chief Administrative Office, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs, the Office of County Counsel, and the Office of Emergency Services funded by existing General Purpose Revenue. There may be future costs associated with related policy development and implementation, and potential contract changes, for which County staff would return to the Board for consideration and approval. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**2. SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REQUEST APPROVAL FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT OF STANDARD RADIO EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

The Sheriff's Office Wireless Services Division (WSD) manages the radio communications equipment and the wireless radio networks used by the County of San Diego (County). As the County's subject matter experts in radio equipment, WSD provides guidance to the Sheriff's Office and other County departments during the procurement process. This ensures that all radio equipment is configured consistently and appropriately to meet the operational needs of County users. This includes the Regional Communications System, a wireless radio communications network utilized by the County and by public safety and public service agencies throughout the region. These networks provide users with a reliable communication method for use in performance of their duties to efficiently serve the public. Due to the need for consistency of configuration, training, efficiency, safety, and interoperability, the procurement of radios and accessories from specific manufacturers is necessary.

Today's actions authorize the Director of Purchasing and Contracting to issue manufacturer's single source competitive procurement(s) for P25 phase 2 portable and mobile radios and related accessories from manufacturers including L3Harris, Kenwood, Bendix-King, and Tait. If approved, the Sheriff's Office and other County departments or offices will have access to these contracts on an as needed basis.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**SHERIFF**

In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, approve and authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to acquire brand named equipment manufactured by L3Harris, Kenwood, Bendix-King, and Tait, through manufacturer's single source competitive procurement(s) for various radio equipment in specific configurations for use on the Regional Communications System and other County networks; and, subject to successful negotiations and a determination of fair and reasonable price, award contracts for up to five years, with an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contracts as needed to reflect changes and enhancements in product models, service level requirements, and funding.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Regional Communications System (RCS) radio network is a critical infrastructure that supports most public safety and public service agencies across the San Diego region. Approval of this request ensures the continued reliability and effectiveness of regional operations and communications, enabling uninterrupted, high-quality services for all residents. The County of San Diego serves a diverse range of communities, many of whom depend on seamless communication between agencies for their safety and well-being. Maintaining continuity of communications across jurisdictions is essential to equitably support these communities and uphold public trust. This investment reinforces the County's commitment to inclusive, responsive, and coordinated service delivery throughout the region.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action to acquire specific standard issued radio communications equipment for public safety and public service agencies throughout the region contributes to County of San

Diego Sustainability Goals related to equity and waste reduction. Delivering public safety communications services with a consistency of configuration, training, safety, efficiency, and interoperability for everyone in San Diego County fosters trust and increases transparency. Approval of this request aids the County in pursuing its Sustainability goal of providing just and equitable access to programs and services and protecting the health and well-being of residents. The County would be able to procure proven equipment that allows staff to provide for the residents who rely on public safety and public service programs provided by the County.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the requested action in the current fiscal year. The contracts that will be issued to different manufacturers or distributors to purchase radios and accessories will be used as needed. Estimated contract costs up to \$260,000 are included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Office. Subsequent year costs will be included in future Operational Plans for the Sheriff's Office. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years. The resulting contracts may be used on an as-needed basis by other County departments or offices. Funding will be from charges to participating County departments' or offices' respective budgets that use this equipment.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**3. SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR PHARMACY SERVICES AT DETENTION FACILITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

The Sheriff's Office (Sheriff) provides comprehensive health care services to incarcerated persons in custody at all seven Sheriff's detention facilities across San Diego County as required by Title 15 of the California Code of Regulations. Impacts from Assembly Bill 109, enacted in 2011, which mandated the Sheriff's Office house defendants convicted of less serious felonies to serve their time in local county jail rather than in state prison, include elevated medical needs of the incarcerated population. As the incarcerated population needs have changed and obligations for medical services have increased to address complex diagnoses, there has been a fundamental shift of health service delivery from ad-hoc acute care services in an ambulatory setting to comprehensive, preventive, and chronic care services in a structured institutional environment.

On August 4, 2020 (1), the Board of Supervisors approved the Sheriff's request to issue a competitive solicitation for health care services. On April 26, 2022, the County awarded a contract for consolidated health care delivery to Naphcare, Inc. and services began on June 1, 2022. The contract for comprehensive health care services includes provisions for pharmacy services which encompasses on-site medication administration and pharmaceutical operations. On January 26, 2023, California received federal approval to offer Medicaid services to Medi-Cal eligible youths and adults in correctional facilities, to include county jails, for up to 90 days prior to release through the Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative also known as Medi-Cal Transformation Initiative. Pharmacy services are required as per this initiative. The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) requires correctional facilities to obtain medications from a Medi-Cal enrolled pharmacy to receive reimbursement for these

prescriptions. The Sheriff's current health care vendor providing pharmacy services, Naphcare, Inc. is not a Medi-Cal enrolled pharmacy and has confirmed it will not seek enrollment. Continuing to use a non-enrolled pharmacy would render the County unable to comply with Medi-Cal billing requirements and preclude the ability to seek reimbursement for prescribed medications provided to incarcerated persons upon release.

Today's action requests the Board to authorize a competitive solicitation for pharmacy services for the Sheriff's detention facilities for one year, with nine option years, and a six-month extension if needed, subject to the availability of funds, and to amend the contract as required to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Sheriff.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S) SHERIFF**

In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation for pharmacy services in Sheriff's detention facilities, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for an initial term of one year, with nine one-year option periods, and an additional six-month extension, if needed, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to service requirements and funding, subject to approval of the Sheriff.

## **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Healthy People 2030 defines a health disparity as a "particular type of health difference that is closely linked with social, economic, and/or environmental disadvantage." Health disparities adversely affect groups of people who have systematically experienced greater obstacles to health care based on their racial or ethnic group and other characteristics historically linked to discrimination or exclusion. This request for a Medi-Cal-enrolled pharmacy builds greater health equity for our incarcerated population. It gives incarcerated people access to high quality and affordable pharmaceutical services while in custody, providing them with more adequate medical care. The Sheriff's Office is dedicated to advancing health equity outcomes for incarcerated persons and having an on-site pharmacy provider allows timely and effective clinical engagement.

## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Most individuals in the carceral environment have experienced, or continue to experience, notable health disparities. Having an on-site pharmacy provider supports the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal to provide just and equitable access. Advancing health care equity outcomes mean ensuring that everyone has a fair and just opportunity to be as healthy as possible and has ready access to medical and behavioral care with proximity to clinical services.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Office. If approved, this request will result in an estimated annual cost of \$8,896,840 for the current fiscal year. Subsequent year costs will be included in future years Operational Plans for the Sheriff's Office based on amounts included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Adopted Operational Plan. The funding source is existing General Purpose Revenue and anticipated funds for medical care services. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

4. **SUBJECT: RATIFY ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS FROM THE ELIZABETH S. SMALLFELT REVOCABLE TRUST AND JOAN WALSH-SZOTT (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

County of San Diego Administrative Code Article III, Section 66 Acceptance of Gifts and Board of Supervisors Policy A-112, Acceptance and Use of Gifts and Donations, enable the acceptance of gifts and donations by the administrative head of each department in the County, subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors.

Between May and October 2025, the County of San Diego's Department of Animal Services (DAS) received two generous cash donations: \$170,000 from the Elizabeth S. Smallfelt Revocable Trust and \$35,000 from Joan Walsh-Szott. Of the \$170,000 donated by the Smallfelt Revocable Trust, \$100,000 will be deposited into the Medical Expense "Spirit" Trust Fund and used to purchase an ultrasound machine with associated software and a surgical laser. This equipment will assist in medical procedures, reducing recovery time and increasing the department's ability to provide care for animals. The remaining \$70,000 from the Smallfelt donation and the full \$35,000 from Joan Walsh-Szott will be deposited into the department's Public Education Trust Fund to fund mobile outreach events offering spay/neuter services, vaccinations, and microchipping, with the funding estimated to provide more than 800 of each of these services in underserved communities, significantly expanding access to preventative veterinary care. These donations support and promote the department's mission to protect the health, safety, and welfare of people and animals throughout the region.

Today's action requests the Board of Supervisors (Board) to ratify the acceptance of a \$170,000 donation from the Elizabeth S. Smallfelt Revocable Trust and a \$35,000 donation from Joan Walsh-Szott and authorizes the Chair to sign letters of appreciation on behalf of the Board. Additionally, the item requests to establish appropriations of \$100,000 in the Department of Animal Services, Capital Assets Equipment, to purchase an ultrasound machine with associated software and a surgical laser based on these donations.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. In accordance with County of San Diego Administrative Code Article III, Section 66 and Board Policy A-112, ratify the acceptance of a \$170,000 donation from the Elizabeth S. Smallfelt Revocable Trust and a \$35,000 donation from Joan Walsh-Szott for deposit into the Department of Animal Services' Medical Expense "Spirit" Trust Fund and Animal Control Public Education Trust Fund.
2. Authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign letters of appreciation on behalf of the Board to the Elizabeth S. Smallfelt Revocable Trust and Joan Walsh-Szott.

3. Establish appropriations of \$100,000 in the Department of Animal Services, Capital Assets Equipment, to purchase an ultrasound machine with associated software and a surgical laser based on donations **(4 VOTES)**

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The County of San Diego Department of Animal Services (DAS) periodically receives monetary gifts and in-kind donations to benefit animal and public health and safety, including care for orphaned pets in County animal shelters. In Fiscal Year 2024-25, DAS served 6,238 animals, many of which enter shelters as unaltered strays in need of veterinary care. Gifts and donations received by DAS help advance equity by providing access to services for those in historically underserved communities, which often lack affordable veterinary care. By expanding access to critical services such as spay and neuter procedures, vaccinations, and microchipping, DAS helps keep pets in homes with their families and out of shelters.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed actions contribute to the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals by aligning available resources with the delivery of essential veterinary services, such as spay and neuter surgeries, vaccinations, microchipping, and advanced medical care, particularly in underserved areas where animals have historically faced barriers to care. The Department of Animal Services (DAS) is committed to keeping pets in homes with their families and out of shelters by delivering mobile outreach services that offer spay and neuter procedures, vaccinations, microchipping, and pet wellness education.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are partially included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan for the Department of Animal Services. Between May 2025 and October 2025, the Department of Animal Services received two cash donations totaling \$205,000. If approved, today's request will ratify the acceptance of the two donations and authorize the Department of Animal Services to deposit \$100,000 into the Medical Expense "Spirit" Trust Fund to purchase an ultrasound machine with associated software and surgical laser. The remaining \$105,000 will be deposited into the Animal Control Public Education Trust Fund to support mobile outreach events, with the funding estimated to provide over 800 spay and neuter services, 800 vaccinations, and 800 microchips, and pet wellness education in underserved communities. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

5. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS AND ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CORPS PROGRAM IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

In 2008, the statewide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Corps was launched to provide an innovative Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) job training program for traditionally underserved Transitional Age Youth (TAY), ages 18-26, that prioritizes individuals who have

been impacted by the child welfare services and/or juvenile justice systems. EMS Corps participants are provided more than double the minimum educational hours, receive monthly stipends, have access to support services, and participate in ride-alongs, as they prepare to become fully employed in the EMS, allied health, or advance to become professional firefighters.

Due to the success of EMS Corps, in 2023 the California Employment Development Department (EDD) authorized an expansion of the program from one to 11 counties, and San Diego County received \$1,270,000 in grant funds in 2024 for 60 students. San Diego County Fire (County Fire) launched the first of three cohorts in July of 2025 for the 5-month long EMS Corps program, which operates through contracts with Southwestern College as the training institution, SBCS for services, and agreements with private ambulance providers to support the program and provide possible employment opportunities.

On July 28, 2025, County Fire submitted a grant proposal to the San Diego Workforce Partnership's *EMS-Fire Pilot Pathways Initiative Participant & Program Support*, to secure funding to initiate a fourth EMS Corps cohort in North County through a partnership with Palomar College. On November 13, 2025, the proposal was approved and awarded \$500,000 in grant funds to support a fourth cohort of 20 students in 2026.

Today's recommended actions include approval to accept grant funds in the amount of \$500,000 for the period of January 1, 2026, through September 30, 2026, from the San Diego Workforce Partnership to support a fourth cohort of EMS Corps Program students and establish appropriations of \$500,000 in County Fire.

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

1. Authorize the acceptance of \$500,000 in grant funds from the San Diego Workforce Partnership for the period of January 01, 2026 through September 30, 2026, to support the San Diego Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Corps program in San Diego County, and authorize the Director of San Diego County Fire, or designee, to execute all grant documents and agreements, including any annual extensions, amendments and/or revision thereto that do not materially impact or alter services or funding levels.
2. Establish appropriations of \$500,000 in County Fire, Services & Supplies, for the EMS Corps program based on a one-time grant from the San Diego Workforce Partnership.

**(4 VOTES)**

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Corps program is focused on providing training opportunities to Transitional Age Youth from historically underserved communities. This includes focusing outreach to young people who are or have been impacted by the child welfare and/or juvenile justice systems. The program focuses on geographic communities that are most underrepresented in the EMS workforce, and seeks to reduce barriers to entry, and increases success for Transitional Age Youth interested in full-time employment within the EMS and healthcare fields.

## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action to expand the EMS Corps program in San Diego County supports just and equitable access to County services and resource allocation in underserved communities. EMS Corps focuses on Transitional Age Youth who are, or have been, involved in the child welfare and/or juvenile justice systems, which are historically underserved communities.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan for San Diego County Fire. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of \$250,000 in Fiscal Year 2025-26 and costs and revenue of \$250,000 in Fiscal Year 2026-27. The funding source is a grant from the San Diego Workforce Partnership. There are no match requirements for this grant. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

6. **SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 84.702 AND 84.705 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO THE CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

## **OVERVIEW**

The Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board (CFSAB) of San Diego County serves as an advisory body to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) on policies, services, and programs affecting children, youth, and families, including those involved in the child welfare and juvenile justice systems.

Today's action requires two steps. On December 9, 2025, the Board is requested to approve amendments to an Ordinance in of the San Diego County Administrative Code relating to the CFSAB (first reading). If the Board approves the recommended actions for December 9, 2025, then on January 13, 2026, the Board is requested to consider and adopt the Ordinance.

The purpose of today's action is to amend the San Diego County Administrative Code to update the provisions related to the composition of the CFSAB. Specifically, the proposed amendments would increase the total number of members to broaden representation and designate one member of the Board of Supervisors as Chair of the CFSAB.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

### **VICE-CHAIR MONICA MONTGOMERY STEPPE**

On December 9, 2025:

1. Approve the introduction of the Ordinance (first reading):  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 84.702 AND 84.705 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO THE CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY.

If, on December 9, 2025, the Board takes action within recommendation #1 above, then on January 13, 2026:

1. Consider and adopt the Ordinance (second reading):  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 84.702 AND 84.705 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO THE CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY.
2. Authorize conforming changes to the Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board By laws.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

This action supports the County’s commitment to advancing equity, inclusion, and accountability in the design and delivery of programs that impact children, families, and over-represented populations in the child welfare and juvenile justice systems.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

This action supports the County’s sustainability goals by strengthening governance structures that enhance the wellbeing and resilience of children, families, and communities. This action promotes collaboration across County departments, partner agencies, and community organizations, fostering systems that are responsive, transparent, and sustainable over time.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

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

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

7. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING TO ADDRESS SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS, SUPPORT HARM REDUCTION SERVICES, AND APPLY FOR FUTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (DISTRICT: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego (County) receives funding from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to develop, expand, train, and sustain the disease intervention specialist workforce (locally known as communicable disease investigators or CDIs), who respond to new cases of syphilis, HIV, and Mpox. Prior authorization for this funding was received from the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) on November 2, 2021 (11) to accept a four-year grant agreement from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2025, totaling \$2,093,808.

Sexually transmitted infections (STIs) remain a significant public health concern locally and across California and the United States. STIs can increase the risk of HIV acquisition and transmission and can cause multiple health complications, including infertility, blindness, hearing loss, and death. Surveillance data demonstrate that the incidence of reportable bacterial STIs has been increasing in San Diego County since 2003.

Additionally, substance use disorder is one of the drivers of increases in syphilis, HIV, and Mpox. Behavioral health concerns, such as substance use disorders, are some of the root causes of high risk behavior determined during STI case investigations. The County was notified on September 24, 2025 of a new grant award from The Center at Sierra Health Foundation for the California Overdose Prevention and Harm Reduction Initiative. This funding is an opportunity to address STI concerns within communities impacted by substance use.

Today's action requests the Board approve and authorize acceptance of approximately \$2,355,534 in funding for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030, to support core STI disease intervention workforce development activities in San Diego County; \$300,000 for the period of October 1, 2025 through May 31, 2027, to support harm reduction services; and to authorize the execution of all required grant documents, upon receipt, including any annual extension, amendments or revisions that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level and apply for additional funds for STI testing and prevention resources.

Today's action supports the County vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by training and supporting staff to link residents who are vulnerable to HIV and STIs to testing and prevention resources, as well as ensuring that residents living with diagnosed HIV and STIs are linked to care and treatment services.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grant, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery, which requires prior approval of grant applications and full-cost recovery of grants.
2. Authorize the acceptance of \$2,355,534 in Disease Intervention Specialist Workforce Development Grant funding from the California Department of Public Health, AIDS Drug Assistance Rebate Fund, for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030, and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute all required documents, upon receipt, including any annual extensions, amendments, and/or revisions thereto that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.
3. Authorize the acceptance of \$300,000 in California Overdose Prevention and Harm Reduction Initiative funding from The Center at Sierra Health Foundation, for the period of October 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027, and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute all required documents, upon receipt, including any annual extensions, amendments, and/or revisions thereto that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.
4. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to apply for additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, for sexually transmitted infections testing and prevention resources.

## **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

In San Diego County, gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men comprise 62% of recent HIV diagnoses and 70% of persons living with HIV. Moreover, like much of the United States, HIV has disproportionately impacted some of San Diego County's most vulnerable residents, which include Black and Hispanic communities, gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men.

Additionally, substance use can increase the risk of contracting sexually transmitted infections through impaired judgment, risky sexual behaviors and social factors. When compared to population and community data related to the Social Determinants of Health, the groups who experience racial inequity tend to experience measurable disparities in health and well-being outcomes, including higher proportions of substance use, according to the Racial Equity: Framework and Outcomes Brief, reported by the County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Services department in October 2025.

## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's proposed action supports the County of San Diego (County) Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to County services and resources, and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and well-being of San Diegans. This will be accomplished by increasing the capacity and skill of our disease intervention staff with an aim to prevent, identify, and treat sexually transmitted infections (STIs). Testing, identification, and treatment of STIs will improve the overall health of communities, reduce the demand of associated care services, while increasing effectiveness of care providers and lowering operating costs. Additionally, this will be accomplished by providing overdose and disease prevention education, outreach and engagement, and linkage to care, such as substance use treatment and other healthcare and supportive services.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

### ***Recommendation #2: Authorize the acceptance of Disease Intervention Specialist Workforce Development funds***

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-27 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$261,726 in FY 2025-26, and \$523,452 in FY 2026-27, for an estimated total costs and revenue of \$2,355,534 through FY 2029-30. The funding source for this grant is the California Department of Public Health. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

### ***Recommendation #3: Authorize the acceptance California Overdose Prevention and Harm Reduction Initiative funding***

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-27 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs of \$151,059 and revenue of \$147,450 in FY 2025-26, and estimated costs of \$156,283 and revenue of \$152,550 in FY 2026-27. The funding source for this grant is The Center at Sierra Health Foundation. A waiver of Board Policy B-29 is requested because the funding does not offset all costs. These unrecovered costs are estimated to be \$3,609 for FY 2025-26, and \$3,733 for FY 2026-27, for a total of \$7,342 through FY 2026-27. The funding source for these costs will be existing Realignment. The public benefit for providing these services far outweighs the costs. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 8. SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING FOR THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM, HOUSING NAVIGATION AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM, AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM PLUS HOUSING SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM AND ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF ALLOCATION AWARDS (DISTRICT: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Child and Family Well-Being Transitional Housing Program (THP) is comprised of the Transitional Housing Program-Plus (THP-Plus) and the Transitional Housing Placement Program for Non-Minor Dependents. Both programs improve outcomes for youth entering adulthood from the foster care system. Over the past two decades, the California legislature has made progress in ameliorating the transitional age youth housing crisis for those involved in the child welfare and juvenile probation systems. For instance, in 2001, California Assembly Bill 427 established the THP-Plus, which provides affordable housing and supportive services for aged out youth ages 18 to 24 years for up to 24 months as they transition out of foster care. Furthermore, between 2001 and 2012, there have been several State laws enacted which support funding of THP. Most recently, in 2022, California Senate Bill 154 extended transitional housing services up to age 25 and provided 36 months of support for all youth involved.

Today's actions request the San Diego County Board of Supervisors authorize the application for and acceptance of funding for the THP, Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program, and Transitional Housing Program-Plus Housing Supplement Program, adopt a resolution authorizing application for and acceptance of allocation awards, and apply for future funding for transitional age youth housing.

Today's item supports the County vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by enhancing the coordination of upstream prevention strategies and services between community resources and the child welfare system to ensure transitional age youth receive services and supports to secure and maintain a safe environment. Additionally, this item aligns with the County Framework for Ending Homelessness, the Housing Blueprint, and the Housing for All vision, promoting prevention and housing stability through equitable access to safe, affordable housing for current and former foster youth, helping to address youth homelessness.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Authorize the application for and acceptance of \$1,913,882 in Transitional Housing Program funds from the California Department of Housing and Community Development for the anticipated funding period of Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 through

FY 2027-28 to reduce youth homelessness and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute all required allocation award documents, including all amendments thereto.

2. Authorize the application for and acceptance of \$410,096 in Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program funds from the California Department of Housing and Community Development, for the anticipated funding period of FY 2026-27 through FY 2027-28 to help youth secure and maintain housing, and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute all required allocation award documents, including all amendments thereto.
3. Authorize the application for and acceptance of \$1,032,773 in Transitional Housing Program-Plus Housing Supplement Program funds from the California Department of Housing and Community Development, for the anticipated funding period of FY 2026-27 through FY 2027-28 to help meet increasing housing needs and cost of rent demands, and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute all required allocation award documents, including all amendments thereto.
4. Adopt a resolution entitled: “A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO TO AUTHORIZE AN APPLICATION FOR, AND ACCEPTANCE OF, THE COUNTY ALLOCATION AWARD UNDER ROUND 7 OF THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM, ROUND 4 OF THE HOUSING NAVIGATION AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM, AND ROUND 5 OF THE THP - PLUS HOUSING SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM”.
5. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to apply for future funding, including grants, supplemental funding and other funding to support transitional housing for youth and support youth secure and maintain housing and avoid homelessness.

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Child and Family Well-Being (CFWB) Transitional Housing Program (THP), inclusive of Transitional Housing Program- Plus (THP-Plus) and Transitional Housing Placement Program for Non-Minor Dependents, provides up to 36 cumulative months of subsidized housing for current and former foster youth ages 18-25 years. In any given month, there are approximately 445 unduplicated youth participating in the THP.

CFWB partners with nonprofit entities to provide housing opportunities and services countywide to ensure youth in underserved communities have greater opportunities and access to safe and affordable housing. CFWB engages with program participants and providers to collect data and evaluate service outcomes to ensure positive results for youth transitioning to adulthood and help them maintain safe and stable housing. Participating youth complete surveys to provide information on the effectiveness and satisfaction of the program service delivery to ensure equitable service delivery and programming. Recent data show that in FY 2024-25, approximately 84% of youth surveyed within all available THPs reported being satisfied with the program services.

## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's actions support the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal #2 of providing just and equitable access by expanding the availability of affordable housing to transitional age youth. Investments in stable housing options lessen economic and personal hardships on youth and provide the support needed for youth to build resilience, independence, and long-term skills. These investments can lead to a reduction in youth homelessness and recurrence of generational maltreatment, as well as lower associated costs.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

### **Recommendation 1: Authorize the Application for and Acceptance of Transitional Housing Program Funds**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-27 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in no costs and revenue in FY 2025-26, estimated costs and revenue of \$956,941 in FY 2026-27 and \$956,941 in FY 2027-28, for a total costs and revenue of \$1,913,882 from FY 2025-26 through FY 2027-28 for the Transitional Housing Program. The anticipated funding source is Transitional Housing Program allocation of State General Funds. Funds for subsequent years will be included in future operational plans. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

### **Recommendation 2: Authorize the Application for and Acceptance of Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program Funds**

Funds for this request are included in the FY 2025-27 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in no costs and revenue in FY 2025-26, estimated costs and revenue of \$205,048 in FY 2026-27 and \$205,048 in FY 2027-28, for total costs and revenue of \$410,096 from FY 2025-26 through FY 2027-28 for the Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program. The anticipated funding source is Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program allocation of State General Funds. Funds for subsequent years will be incorporated into future operational plans. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

### **Recommendation 3: Authorize the Application for and Acceptance of Transitional Housing Program- Plus Housing Supplement Funds**

Funds for this request are included in the FY 2025-27 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in no costs and revenue in FY 2025-26, estimated costs and revenue of \$516,386 in FY 2026-27 and \$516,387 in FY 2027-28, for total costs and revenue of \$1,032,773 from FY 2025-26 through FY 2027-28 for the Transitional Housing Program-Plus Housing Supplement Program. The anticipated funding source is the Transitional Housing Program-Plus Housing Supplement Program allocation of State General Funds. Funds for subsequent years will be included in future operational plans. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**9. SUBJECT: SUPPORT FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYERS AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF CALHOME PROGRAM MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE FUNDS AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR, AND RECEIPT OF, PROHOUSING INCENTIVE PROGRAM FUNDS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego (County) uses federal and State funding to administer first-time homebuyer programs that improve access to homeownership for low- and moderate-income households by providing low interest, deferred payment loans to program participants. Through the Down Payment and Closing Cost Assistance (DCCA) Program and the Down Payment Assistance (DPA) Program, the County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Housing and Community Development Services (HCDS) works to promote safe, affordable homeownership opportunities and improve communities throughout the region.

On December 12, 2024, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) released the 2024 Homeownership Super Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) making CalHome and Joe Serna Jr. Farmworker Housing funds available. On March 13, 2025, HCDS applied for approximately \$1.1 million of CalHome Program funds to support the DCCA Program. Subsequently, on October 27, 2025, HCDS received a Conditional Award Letter indicating our successful application and conditional award of the amount requested. On September 30, 2025, HCD released the Prohousing Incentive Program (PIP) Round 4 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). PIP complements the Prohousing Designation Program, which encourages jurisdictions to adopt policies that promote housing development. The County is eligible to apply for up to \$1.4 million under the PIP Round 4 NOFA. An award of PIP funding would further support the County's first-time homebuyer programs.

Today's item requests the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to approve the acceptance of additional State funding for the DCCA Program with the award of CalHome Program funding. Additionally, today's actions request adoption of a resolution, authorizing the County to accept the CalHome award and a resolution for authority to apply for, and if awarded accept, Prohousing Incentive Program funds.

This item supports the County vision for a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all residents, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have historically been underrepresented, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities by enhancing quality of life through decent and affordable housing. In addition, the County's first-time homebuyer programs align with the County Housing for All vision, Framework for Ending Homelessness, and County Housing Blueprint by prioritizing prevention and housing stability.

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

1. Find that the proposed actions are not subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) because the actions are not projects as defined in Section 15378 of the CEQA Guidelines.

**CalHome Program**

2. Adopt a Resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF CALHOME PROGRAM MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE FUNDS.
3. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer or Interim Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Health and Human Services Agency, or designee, to execute the State's Standard Agreement for acceptance of the grant funds of approximately \$1.1 million, any amendments thereto, and any related documents necessary for the County of San Diego's continued participation in the CalHome Program.
4. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer or Interim Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Health and Human Services Agency, or designee, to negotiate and execute all contracts, related documents and/or amendments, and to take all necessary actions for the administration and implementation of the CalHome program.
5. Authorize and direct the Auditor and Controller to establish a trust fund in relation to the CalHome Program grant for down payment and closing cost assistance to first-time homebuyers, with interest earnings allocated and distributed to the fund.

**Prohousing Incentive Program**

6. Adopt a Resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR, AND RECEIPT OF, PROHOUSING INCENTIVE PROGRAM FUNDS.
7. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer or Interim Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Health and Human Services Agency, or designee, to negotiate and execute all contracts, related documents and/or amendments, and to take all necessary actions for the administration and implementation of the Prohousing Incentive Program.
8. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer or Interim Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Health and Human Services Agency, or designee, to execute the State's Standard Agreement for acceptance of the grant funds of up to \$1.4 million, any amendment thereto, and any related documents necessary for the County of San Diego's continued participation in the Prohousing Incentive Program.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Access to affordable homeownership is essential for long-term housing stability, especially for low-and moderate-income families earning 120% or less of the Area Median Income, who encounter significant obstacles when trying to purchase a home.

According to the National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC, 2023), the United States is facing a shortage of over 7.3 million affordable rental homes for low-income renters. This shortage severely impacts minority households in low-income communities, worsening economic disparities and limiting opportunities for upward mobility. Research shows that housing insecurity is linked to increased rates of physical and mental health issues, educational barriers for children, and decreased workforce productivity (Carrere et al., 2022).

The CalHome Program and Prohousing Incentive Program aim to eliminate these barriers by providing down payment and closing cost assistance. Homeownership offers long-term benefits for families, including financial stability, generational wealth, and healthier living environments. It also fortifies neighborhoods and the region by promoting stability and stronger local economies. By reducing upfront housing costs, these funds increase equitable access to homeownership for low- and moderate-income households. This investment not only supports individual families but also contributes to building stronger, more resilient communities.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

This action supports the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to housing resources and Goal #4 to protect the health and well-being of residents. CalHome funds will allow more families to achieve homeownership, which creates long-term housing stability, reduces displacement, and strengthens neighborhoods. Homeownership also encourages long-term investment in existing housing stock. By helping families put down roots in their communities, these funds contribute to more stable, resilient, and sustainable neighborhoods across the region.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

#### ***Recommendations 1-5***

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-27 Operational Plan for the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in one-time costs and revenue of approximately \$1.1 million in FY 2025-26 for the Down Payment and Closing Costs Assistance Program for First-Time Homebuyers. The funding source is the California Department of Housing and Community Development CalHome Program. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

#### ***Recommendations 6-8***

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-27 Operational Plan for the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved and awarded, this request will result in no costs and revenue in FY 2025-26 and estimated one-time costs and revenue of up to \$1.4 million in FY 2026-27 for first-time homebuyer programs. Funds will be incorporated into future operational plans. The anticipated funding source is the California Department of Housing and Community Development Prohousing Incentive Program. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

It is estimated that the CalHome Program funds will generate approximately 20 real estate sales. The Prohousing Incentive Program funds, if awarded, are estimated to generate up to 14 real estate sales, through the County of San Diego's first-time homebuyer programs. This positively impacts housing industry professionals involved with real estate transactions.

**10. SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, HOMELESS HOUSING, ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION PROGRAM ROUND 6 GRANT FUNDING (DISTRICT: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

On July 2, 2024, Governor Newsom signed California Assembly Bill (AB) 166 Section 13, authorizing \$760 million to counties, large cities, and Continuums of Care (CoC) through the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Round 6 (HHAP-6) Grant Program. HHAP is a block grant program administered by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), designed to support regional coordination by providing local jurisdictions with flexible funding to continue efforts to reduce and prevent homelessness. The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Department of Housing and Community Development Services, Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) was previously awarded HHAP Rounds 1 through 5 funding.

The HHAP-6 grant application was submitted on August 29, 2025, through a collaborative effort with the City of San Diego and the Regional Task Force on Homelessness (RTFH), which is San Diego County's local CoC. The application also serves as the required Regionally Coordinated Action Plan to End Homelessness. Today's action requests the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) to authorize the acceptance of HHAP-6 grant program funds, and execution of all necessary documents to implement the HHAP-6 grant program funds. This funding will continue the Housing Our Youth program and add funding for emergency and permanent housing options. In addition, the HHAP-6 grant program funds will cover the County's administrative costs and data reporting through the Homeless Management Information Systems.

Today's item supports the County vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically for those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This item also supports the County Framework for Ending Homelessness and Housing for All initiative, by ensuring our most vulnerable community members have access to housing, care coordination, and connections to healthcare and housing opportunities.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Authorize the acceptance of \$12.1 million in grant funds from the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 6 (HHAP-6) for the period of Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 through FY 2028-29 for services to people experiencing homelessness.
2. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute agreements, certification forms, and all necessary documents for the acceptance, regulatory processing, and implementation of HHAP-6 grant funding, and take any other actions necessary as required by HCD.

3. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute subrecipient grant agreements, and all necessary documents, and take any other actions necessary to transfer up to one percent of the County of San Diego's (County) total allocation of HHAP-6 funding to the Regional Task Force on Homelessness for utilization of Homeless Management Information System, and to amend the subrecipient grant agreements as necessary.
4. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to apply for future funding opportunities related to addressing homelessness throughout the region in the current and future fiscal years, as they will provide overall value to the County by advancing efforts to reduce the number of people in the County who are at-risk of, or experiencing, homelessness.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) has demonstrated a strong commitment to addressing the needs of people at-risk of or experiencing homelessness in the region. The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Department of Housing and Community Development Services, Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) ensures equity among all San Diegans by reducing disparities within homelessness services in the region. OHS is dedicated to addressing the root causes of homelessness and providing equitable access to preventative and supportive services for vulnerable residents.

In January 2025, the We All Count Point-in-Time Count (PITC) of persons experiencing homelessness, identified 9,905 individuals living on the streets or in San Diego County shelters on one night. Of this number, 5,714 individuals were reportedly unsheltered. Of the unsheltered, approximately 1% are families, 7% are veterans, 7% are youth (ages 18-24), and 46% are experiencing chronic homelessness. The 2025 PITC shows an overall reduction in veteran homelessness of 26%, a reduction in family homelessness of 19%, and a reduction in youth homelessness of 20% as compared to the prior year. The region saw an overall 7% decrease in overall homelessness from 2024 to 2025.

To maximize existing and future regional work on homelessness and to create a unified strategic approach to support the coordination of homeless services and funding, the Board adopted the County Framework for Ending Homelessness (Framework). The Framework encompasses the County's ongoing work and provides a vision to support forward, collaborative, and impactful progress. Efforts are geared toward ensuring people experiencing homelessness in the unincorporated areas of San Diego County have access to critical emergency housing options and supportive services. Ensuring racial and social equity in all aspects of homelessness prevention and response is one of the key principles that guides the Framework and all items under its strategic domains. It is anticipated that Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Round 6 grant program funding will provide needed housing and supports to individuals countywide, including youth and those who are disproportionately represented in the homeless system, including justice-involved individuals and individuals with a range of health and social needs, as well as Black, Indigenous, and People of Color.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's proposed action supports the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal #1 to engage the community; Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access; and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect health and well-being. The recommended actions will provide just and equitable

access to housing and support countywide, including to youth and those who are disproportionately represented in the homeless system, or have a range of health and social needs, or who identify as Black, Indigenous and People of Color. These actions also align with the goal to protect health and well-being, which will be accomplished by ensuring the most vulnerable community members have access to housing and connections to healthcare and workforce opportunities.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-27 Operational Plan for the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in no cost and revenue for FY 2025-26 and estimated costs and revenue of \$8.0 million in FY 2026-27, estimated costs and revenue of \$4.1 million in FY 2027-28 and FY 2028-29 for a total of \$12.1 million from FY 2025-26 through FY 2028-29. The funding source is the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Round 6 grant. Funds for subsequent years will be incorporated into future operational plans, pending successful grant funding award. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 11. **SUBJECT: RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DATES AND TIMES FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN 2026 (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

The recommended action is that the Board adopt the resolution setting the 2026 Board of Supervisors regular meeting schedule.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHAIR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

Adopt the resolution: A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SETTING THE DATES AND TIMES FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN CALENDAR YEAR 2026.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Board of Supervisors annually adopts a calendar for regular meetings. This ensures that the public is well informed of the meetings and can plan for active participation in local government.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed meeting calendar allows stakeholders to plan for community engagement and identify meaningful ways to continually seek input to foster inclusive and sustainable communities.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with these recommendations. There will be no change to net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

There is no business impact associated with this action.

**12. SUBJECT: DELEGATION OF INVESTMENT AUTHORITY TO THE  
TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR AND APPROVAL OF THE  
INVESTMENT POLICY (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

Annually, the Board of Supervisors (Board) is requested to take several actions regarding the San Diego County Investment Pool. These actions include the annual delegation of investment authority to the Treasurer-Tax Collector and review and approval of the Investment Policy.

Today's actions will delegate investment authority to the Treasurer-Tax Collector for the calendar year 2026 and approve the amended Investment Policy to align with recent changes in the California Government Code, which increase the maximum maturity for commercial paper investments. Additionally, the language describing the frequency of interest charged on negative average daily balances in a participant's fund has been revised from quarterly to monthly to accurately reflect County practice. There is no financial impact as a result of these changes.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR**

1. Adopt the Resolution titled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO DELEGATING INVESTMENT AUTHORITY TO THE COUNTY TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR.
2. Review and approve the San Diego County Treasurer's Pooled Money Fund Investment Policy, as amended.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The County Treasurer follows State of California legislated parameters and exercises fiduciary authority for the investment of the funds of the county and the funds of other depositors in the county treasury. The County Treasurer must manage public monies in a way that is consistent with its objectives of safety and liquidity, prudent investment practices and not solely to maximize returns. The investment function benefits the public because the investment earnings provide incremental funding for programs and services.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Treasurer-Tax Collector is committed to the County's sustainability goals. To promote just and equitable access to the County's investment process, the County Treasurer utilizes an approved list of brokerage firms to purchase securities. A competitive request for information is conducted every three years.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

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

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

NA

### **13. SUBJECT: ONLINE PUBLIC AUCTION TAX SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

When a property owner fails to pay property taxes by the end of the fiscal year, the property becomes tax defaulted. If the property remains tax defaulted for five years, the property then becomes subject to the Treasurer-Tax Collector's Power to Sell. Statutory requirements are met pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code § 3691, et seq. prior to the property being offered at sale. The purpose of offering tax-defaulted property at a tax sale is to collect the unpaid taxes (redemption) and to return the property to a revenue-generating status. This is a request to approve the proposed sale of 793 parcels of tax-defaulted real property at Online Public Auction Tax Sale No. 7102, beginning on March 13, 2026, with final groups closing on March 18, 2026.

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

##### **TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR**

1. Adopt the Resolution entitled:  
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING AN ONLINE PUBLIC AUCTION TAX SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY (Attachment A, on file with the Clerk of the Board).
2. Should a parcel not sell at the initial minimum bid as defined in Revenue and Taxation Code § 3698.5, approve the Treasurer-Tax Collector's discretion under the Revenue and Taxation Code § 3698.5(c), to offer the same property at the sale or next scheduled sale, at a minimum price that the Treasurer-Tax Collector deems appropriate in light of the most current assessed valuation of that property or those interests. Any parcel remaining unsold may be re-offered within a 90-day period in accordance with Revenue and Taxation Code § 3692(e) and any new parties of interest shall be notified in accordance with Revenue and Taxation Code § 3701.

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Treasurer-Tax Collector recognizes the systemic impacts that inequitable policies may create for residents of the County of San Diego. Impacts have historically included outcomes related to racial justice and issues of belonging that are reflected in the programs, services and resources allocated to communities. The Treasurer-Tax Collector will conduct an online auction that is widely accessible to all bidders who follow the process to register and submit deposits required to participate in the auction. A bidder may only be banned from participating in the online auction if they have previously forfeited property by way of non-completion of the sale of property for which they have previously won the bid. It is anticipated that these actions will have a positive impact on all people to include Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC), women, people with disabilities, immigrants, youth, and the LGBTQ community.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed actions to conduct an online public auction, collect unpaid property taxes and return the properties to a revenue generating status are appropriate as they support the County of

San Diego’s Strategic Initiative of Sustainability to align the County’s available resources with services to maintain fiscal stability and ensure long-term solvency. The proposed actions to conduct an online auction that is widely accessible to all bidders who follow the process to register align with the County of San Diego’s Sustainability Goal of providing just and equitable access.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

If approved, funds received from sales of tax-defaulted property will be used to redeem defaulted and current year taxes and to reimburse the County for all Board approved cost recovery and statutorily required fees and costs of sale imposed under San Diego County Administrative Code § 364.4.

Any excess proceeds remaining will be retained in the defaulted tax sale trust fund for a period of one year following the date of the recordation of the tax deed to the purchaser of the property. During that period, any party of interest in the property at the time of the sale may apply for the proceeds by submitting a claim. Any excess proceeds remaining after processing valid claims will be transferred to the General Fund. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

14. **SUBJECT: SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (SDCERA) RETIREMENT BOARD ELECTION - SEVENTH MEMBER (SAFETY) AND ALTERNATE MEMBER (SAFETY) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

This is a request for the Board of Supervisors to declare the results the San Diego County Employees Retirement Association (SDCERA) Board of Retirement elections for the Seventh Member (Safety) (“Seventh Member”) seat and Alternate Member (Safety) (“Alternate Member”) seat, held on November 18, 2025, in compliance with California Government Code section 31523 and Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 13-135

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Declare candidate Pamela Murphy- Paredes to be elected to the Seventh Member (Safety) seat on the Board of Retirement for the regular three-year term commencing January 1, 2026, and expiring on December 31, 2028.
2. Declare candidate Daniel Harward to be elected to the Alternate Member (Safety) seat on the Board of Retirement for the regular three-year term commencing January 1, 2026, and expiring on December 31, 2028.

## **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The voters in the election of the Seventh Member and Alternate Member are 3,350 active, safety employees of the County. These voters are entitled to elect representatives from amongst themselves to serve on the Board of Retirement.

The Board of Retirement makes decisions about the administration of the SDCERA Trust Fund on behalf of all SDCERA members and their beneficiaries.

## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

A person's vote has a direct influence on the sustainability of their community and local region. By voting, voters have a direct impact on their health, equity, and environment. The Recommended action today aligns with the Governance lens of sustainability and the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal of providing just and equitable access to County services.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

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

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 15. SUBJECT: APPROVE COMPENSATION AGREEMENT REGARDING CHINESE HISTORICAL MUSEUM SITE RETAINED BY CITY OF SAN DIEGO FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

On February 1, 2012, California redevelopment agencies were dissolved, and successor agencies were appointed to wind down redevelopment agencies' affairs, including the disposition of real estate owned. California Assembly Bill ("AB") ABx1-26 of 2011 and AB 1484 of 2012 (collectively known as the "Dissolution Act") provide the methods of disposition available to successor agencies subsequent to the preparation and approval of a Long Range Property Management Plan ("LRPMP").

The California Department of Finance approved a final amended version of the City of San Diego ("City") Successor Agency's LRPMP on October 15, 2015. One property included in the approved LRPMP is commonly referred to as the Chinese Historical Museum Site located at 404 Third Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101 (APN 535-074-02). The property is currently comprised of a ground lease operating a historical structure utilized as a museum. The property has been retained by the City for future development in accordance with its LRPMP.

According to California Health and Safety Code Section 34180, a compensation agreement must be established between the city retaining ownership of a future development site and the other affected taxing entities associated with the former redevelopment area, wherein the affected taxing entities receive payments from the city in proportion to their shares of the base property tax for the value of the property retained by the city for future development. The County of San

Diego (“County”) is one such affected taxing entity associated with these properties. Today’s action requests to approve the compensation agreement between the City and the County, and direct the Clerk of the Board to execute the agreement.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Approve the Compensation Agreement regarding the Chinese Historical Museum Site retained by the City of San Diego for future development and direct the Clerk of the Board to execute the Compensation Agreement.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The dissolution of redevelopment agencies throughout the State of California has assisted local jurisdictions to better preserve funding for core public services by allowing them to have more decision-making input of the Chinese Historical Museum Site, retained by the City of San Diego for future development, and will provide the County of San Diego with revenue that can be used toward investments back into the community which includes, but are not limited to, programs and services to help improve the health and public safety of residents.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today’s proposed action supports the County of San Diego’s Sustainability Goal #1 to engage the community. The future redevelopment of Chinese Historical Museum Site has the potential to become a focal point for the local community by enhancing commercial activity in the area. The project aligns with the County goal of engaging the community by creating spaces that encourage social interaction, local commerce, and community events. By revitalizing this area, the development can help build a stronger sense of community identity and foster active participation from residents in shaping the future of their neighborhood.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

As part of the terms of the compensation agreement, the allocation of proportional share of revenue would be disbursed to the affected taxing entities on or before June 30th, 2027. If any balance is unpaid and outstanding after June 30, 2027, the unpaid balance will accrue simple interest from and after July 1, 2027, at a rate of four percent per annum until the amount is fully paid. Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2025-27 Operational Plan in Finance Other. If approved, this request may result in one-time revenue of \$35,684 in the affected fiscal year, upon successfully meeting terms of the compensation agreement. The estimate is based on the compensation amount allowed by Health and Safety Code 34188, which is calculated using the 2011 appraised value of the property of \$233,000, less \$5,500 in appraisal costs multiplied by the County of San Diego’s proportional share of the base property tax for the property (approximately 15.69%). The funding source is a payment from the City of San Diego, and would be deposited in the General Fund as General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**16. SUBJECT: APPROVE COMPENSATION AGREEMENT REGARDING NAVAL TRAINING CENTER/LIBERTY STATION PROPERTY RETAINED BY CITY OF SAN DIEGO FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

On February 1, 2012, California redevelopment agencies were dissolved, and successor agencies were appointed to wind down redevelopment agencies' affairs, including the disposition of real estate owned. California Assembly Bill ("AB") ABx1-26 of 2011 and AB 1484 of 2012 (collectively known as the "Dissolution Act") provide the methods of disposition available to successor agencies subsequent to the preparation and approval of a Long Range Property Management Plan ("LRPMP").

The California Department of Finance approved a final amended version of the City of San Diego ("City") Successor Agency's LRPMP on October 15, 2015. One property included in the approved LRPMP are multiple parcels commonly referred to as the Naval Training Center, also known as Liberty Station. The property is currently comprised of various ground leases operating a variety of uses including retail, office, and hospitality. The property has been retained by the City for future development in accordance with its LRPMP.

According to California Health and Safety Code Section 34180, a compensation agreement must be established between the city retaining ownership of a future development site and the other affected taxing entities associated with the former redevelopment area, wherein the affected taxing entities receive payments from the city in proportion to their shares of the base property tax for the value of the property retained by the city for future development. The County of San Diego ("County") is one such affected taxing entity associated with these properties. Today's action requests to approve the compensation agreement between the City and the County, and direct the Clerk of the Board to execute the agreement.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Approve the Compensation Agreement regarding the Naval Training Center/Liberty Station property retained by the City of San Diego for future development and direct the Clerk of the Board to execute the Compensation Agreement.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The dissolution of redevelopment agencies throughout the State of California has assisted local jurisdictions to better preserve funding for core public services by allowing them to have more decision-making input of the development of communities, as well as resulting revenues. A compensation agreement for the Naval Training Center/Liberty Station property, retained by the City of San Diego for future development, and will provide the County of San Diego with revenue that can be used toward investments back into the community which includes, but are not limited to, programs and services to help improve the health and public safety of residents.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's proposed action supports the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal #1 to engage the community. The future redevelopment of Naval Training Center/Liberty Station has the potential to become a focal point for the local community by enhancing commercial activity in

the area. The project aligns with the County goal of engaging the community by creating spaces that encourage social interaction, local commerce, and community events. By revitalizing this area, the development can help build a stronger sense of community identity and foster active participation from residents in shaping the future of their neighborhood.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

As part of the terms of the compensation agreement, the allocation of proportional share of revenue would be disbursed to the affected taxing entities on or before January 1st, 2027. If any balance is unpaid and outstanding after January 1, 2027, the unpaid balance will accrue simple interest from and after July 1, 2027, at a rate of four percent per annum until the amount is fully paid. Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2025-27 Operational Plan in Finance Other. If approved, this request may result in one-time revenue of \$287,045 in the affected fiscal year, upon successfully meeting terms of the compensation agreement. The estimate is based on the compensation amount allowed by Health and Safety Code 34188, which is calculated using the 2011 appraised value of the property of \$1,895,000, less \$65,000 in appraisal costs multiplied by the County of San Diego's proportional share of the base property tax for the property (approximately 15.69%). The funding source is a payment from the City of San Diego, and would be deposited in the General Fund as General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

17. **SUBJECT: APPROVE COMPENSATION AGREEMENT REGARDING WALKER SCOTT PROPERTY RETAINED BY CITY OF SAN DIEGO FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

On February 1, 2012, California redevelopment agencies were dissolved, and successor agencies were appointed to wind down redevelopment agencies' affairs, including the disposition of real estate owned. California Assembly Bill ("AB") ABx1-26 of 2011 and AB 1484 of 2012 (collectively known as the "Dissolution Act") provide the methods of disposition available to successor agencies subsequent to the preparation and approval of a Long Range Property Management Plan ("LRPMP").

The California Department of Finance approved a final amended version of the City of San Diego ("City") Successor Agency's LRPMP on October 15, 2015. One property included in the approved LRPMP is commonly referred to as the Walker Scott property located at 1014 Fifth Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101 (APN 535-525-05). The property is currently comprised of a ground lease operating retail, commercial, and parking uses. The property has been retained by the City for future development in accordance with its LRPMP.

According to California Health and Safety Code Section 34180, a compensation agreement must be established between the city retaining ownership of a future development site and the other affected taxing entities associated with the former redevelopment area, wherein the affected taxing entities receive payments from the city in proportion to their shares of the base property tax for the value of the property retained by the city for future development. The County of San

Diego (“County”) is one such affected taxing entity associated with these properties. Today’s action requests to approve the compensation agreement between the City and the County, and direct the Clerk of the Board to execute the agreement.

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

Approve the Compensation Agreement regarding the Walker Scott property retained by the City of San Diego for future development and direct the Clerk of the Board to execute the Compensation Agreement.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The dissolution of redevelopment agencies throughout the State of California has assisted local jurisdictions to better preserve funding for core public services by allowing them to have more decision-making input of the Walker Scott property, retained by the City of San Diego for future development, and will provide the County of San Diego with revenue that can be used toward investments back into the community which includes, but are not limited to, programs and services to help improve the health and public safety of residents.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today’s proposed action supports the County of San Diego’s Sustainability Goal #1 to engage the community. The future redevelopment of Walker Scott property has the potential to become a focal point for the local community by enhancing commercial activity in the area. The project aligns with the County goal of engaging the community by creating spaces that encourage social interaction, local commerce, and community events. By revitalizing this area, the development can help build a stronger sense of community identity and foster active participation from residents in shaping the future of their neighborhood.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

As part of the terms of the compensation agreement, the allocation of proportional share of revenue would be disbursed to the affected taxing entities on or before June 30th, 2027. If any balance is unpaid and outstanding after June 30, 2027, the unpaid balance will accrue simple interest from and after July 1, 2027, at a rate of four percent per annum until the amount is fully paid. Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2025-27 Operational Plan in Finance Other. If approved, this request may result in one-time revenue of \$177,403 in the affected fiscal year, upon successfully meeting terms of the compensation agreement. The estimate is based on the compensation amount allowed by Health and Safety Code 34188, which is calculated using the 2011 appraised value of the property of \$1,150,000, less \$19,000 in appraisal costs multiplied by the County of San Diego’s proportional share of the base property tax for the property (approximately 15.69%). The funding source is a payment from the City of San Diego, and would be deposited in the General Fund as General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**18. SUBJECT: GENERAL SERVICES - APPROVE FIRST AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S CENTRAL BRANCH, 451 A STREET, SAN DIEGO AND NOTICE OF EXEMPTION (DISTRICT: 1)**

**OVERVIEW**

The San Diego County Public Defender (PD) has operated its Central Branch, located at 451 A Street, San Diego, since 2010. The existing lease for approximately 92,303 square feet of office space was approved by the Board of Supervisors (Board) on March 23, 2010 (14) and expires on September 30, 2026. In Fiscal Year 2022-23, PD added 90 positions, increasing staffing in all branches with a large allocation of new staff assigned to the Central Branch. The current lease premises does not accommodate the additional staff. The Department of General Services (DGS) conducted a space validation study that supports the need for 106,776 square feet of space for Central Branch operations.

Staff from DGS have negotiated a first amendment to the lease agreement that will extend the term by seven years and five months, with two consecutive options of five years each. The proposed amendment includes an expansion of 14,473 square feet and five months of rent abatement in the first year of the amendment term. Today's request is for Board approval of the first amendment to the lease agreement.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Find the proposed lease for the Public Defender is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301.
2. Approve and authorize the Director, Department of General Services, to execute the proposed lease amendment for the premises located at 451 A Street, San Diego.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Public Defender's Central Branch supports the community in its current location. Extending the term of the lease would benefit the community by continuing to provide resources to a traditionally underserved community. A larger facility increases the availability of adequate programs and resources ensuring the community has equitable access to legal resources.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Implementing effective sustainability objectives is crucial to ensuring safe and healthy communities and contributing to the overall success of the region. The approval of this lease amendment supports the County's Strategic Initiative of Sustainability to ensure the capability to respond to immediate needs for individuals, families, and the region.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for the existing lease through the end of the term in September 2026 are already budgeted for the San Diego County Public Defender (PD). Funds for this request will be included in the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Operational Plan for PD. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of approximately \$1,259,957 to include five months of rent abatement. FY 2027-28 costs are estimated at \$3,866,359, which includes a 3% rent adjustment to go into effect

October 1, 2027. Funds for the remaining contract term and for each option year (if exercised) will be included in future years' operational plans for PD. The funding source is General Purpose Revenue and there will be no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 19. SUBJECT: APPROVING THE REISSUANCE OF MULTIFAMILY HOUSING REVENUE OBLIGATIONS BY THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$55,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF THE VISTA LANE FAMILY APARTMENTS (DISTRICT: 1)**

### **OVERVIEW**

The County has received a request from the California Municipal Finance Authority ("CMFA" or "Authority") to approve the Authority's issuance of one or more series of revenue bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$55,000,000 (the "Bonds"), for the benefit of the MirKa 3481 Vista Lane Family LP, a California limited partnership (the "Borrower"). The Borrower has requested that the Authority participate in the issuance of one or more series of revenue bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$55,000,000 to finance or refinance the acquisition, development, construction and equipping of a multifamily rental housing project located within the County of San Diego (the "County") at 3481, 3501 and 3509 Vista Lane, San Ysidro, California (collectively, the "Project").

The Authority is authorized to assist in financing for nonprofit public benefit organizations or for-profit corporations with a public benefit project wishing to issue revenue bonds, 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 approve the Authority's issuance of the Bonds. Although the Authority will be the issuer of the Bonds for the Borrower, the financing cannot proceed without the approval of an applicable legislative body.

Pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, a public hearing was held on November 20, 2025. There were no comments from the public at that hearing.

A TEFRA hearing was originally held and a TEFRA resolution was approved for this financing on April 5, 2022 (22). The bonds were issued and construction of the project is complete. However, now that construction is complete, the project will now convert from construction financing to permanent financing. The project will need to extend the original maturity of the construction financing. Because of this extension, a technical reissuance is needed to revise the original terms of the bond issuance. This technical reissuance will require another TEFRA hearing to take place and resolution to be approved. No new money will be issued and no other terms of the original approval have changed.

Today's recommendations will provide the Authority with the required authorization to pursue its determination to issue the Bonds on behalf of the Borrower for the Project.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Adopt a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE REISSUANCE OF CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY MULTIFAMILY HOUSING REVENUE OBLIGATIONS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$55,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF THE VISTA LANE FAMILY APARTMENTS.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

This financing will help in the creation of quality, affordable housing for 165 low-income households in the County of San Diego. The bonds issued will be used to finance or refinance the acquisition, development, construction and equipping of a multifamily rental housing project located at 3481, 3501 and 3509 Vista Lane, San Ysidro, California. The obligations will assist the Borrower to offer low-income living arrangements for households in San Diego County.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action would result in economic benefits for the community by allowing the borrower to serve 165 low-income households in the County of San Diego. This financing will contribute to the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal No. 2, providing just and equitable access, by increasing investment in underserved communities of San Diego County.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

If approved, the proposal will result in approximately \$991 of unanticipated revenue to be used to reimburse the County for staff costs associated with this non-County financing. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

The Borrower will be responsible for the payment of all present and future costs in connection with the reissuance of the financing related to the Project. The County will incur no obligation of indebtedness as a result of today's actions.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 20. SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:  
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:  
ADOPT AN ORDINANCE ADDING ARTICLE LXV OF THE SAN  
DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES  
RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS TO COUNTY  
FACILITIES (NOVEMBER 18, 2025- FIRST READING; DECEMBER 9,  
2025 - SECOND READING UNLESS ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON  
SECOND READING) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

On November 18, 2025 (20), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on December 9, 2025.

On October 21, 2025 (17), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to draft a Civil Liberties Enforcement and Accountability Rules (CLEAR) Ordinance based upon the Due Process and Safety Ordinance adopted by the City of San Diego City Council on October 21, 2025.

Based on direction from the Board, staff have prepared a draft ordinance that restricts access to non-public areas of County facilities by law enforcement without a judicial warrant or court order. It also directs the posting of clear, multilingual signage in County buildings to inform residents of their rights. Finally, it extends certain requirements to County contractors, grantees, and leaseholders, ensuring consistent and enforceable civil rights safeguards across County partnerships and funded programs.

Today's recommendation requests that the Board consider the introduction of an ordinance based upon the Due Process and Safety Ordinance adopted by the City of San Diego City Council. If the Board acts as recommended, then on December 9, 2025, the Board is requested to adopt the ordinance (second reading) and take related actions. If the proposed ordinance is altered on December 9, 2025, then on that date, a subsequent meeting date will be selected for the ordinance's adoption.

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

Consider and adopt the Ordinance:

**AN ORDINANCE ADDING ARTICLE LXV OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS TO COUNTY FACILITIES.**

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action aims to promote fairness and equal treatment in the justice system by preventing discriminatory practices that disproportionately impact immigrant communities. This approach supports the County's commitment to social justice and inclusion, fostering trust and cooperation between immigrant communities and the County of San Diego, which is essential for effective in keeping all of our communities safe.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The proposed action supports the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal #2 of providing just and equitable access to County services to promote equity, transparency, and community trust. Multilingual signage and clear communication of rights enhance accessibility and civic engagement. Overall, the ordinance supports transparency into County operations and community partnerships.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for today's actions are included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan based on existing staff time in the Department of Purchasing & Contracting and the County Communications Office based on Charges for Services to client departments and General Purpose Revenue, respectively. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

### **21. SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODES: VARIOUS AGENCIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The Board of Supervisors serves as the Code Reviewing Body for any local agency, other than cities, with jurisdiction wholly within the County, pursuant to Government Code Section 82011. The recommended action would approve the proposed amendment to the Conflict of Interest codes for High Tech High, Metropolitan Transit System, San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), The Classical Academy, and Urban Discovery Academy.

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

##### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Approve the Conflict of Interest codes for the following agencies:

- High Tech High
- Metropolitan Transit System
- San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)
- The Classical Academy
- Urban Discovery Academy

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

County government includes standing and special boards, commissions, committees and task forces formed to advise the Board of Supervisors and County staff on issues and policies and to serve as links to the community. Boards, commissions and committees provide an inter-relationship between the residents and the government of the County and as such must provide transparent, bias-free decision-making. The Board of Supervisors serves as the Code Reviewing Body for any local agency, other than cities, with jurisdiction wholly within the County, pursuant to Government Code Section 82011. Under the California Political Reform Act, a public official has a disqualifying conflict of interest in a governmental decision if it is foreseeable that the decision will have a financial impact on their personal finances or other financial interests. In such cases, there is a risk of biased decision-making that could sacrifice the public's interest in favor of the official's private financial interests. To avoid actual bias or the appearance of possible improprieties, the public official is prohibited from participating in the decision.

The recommended action would approve the amended Conflict of Interest codes submitted by High Tech High, Metropolitan Transit System, San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), The Classical Academy and Urban Discovery Academy. The Conflict of Interest codes in this Board Letter enable the County of San Diego to provide transparency and accountability to individual residents, ensuring equitable operations of the government that are free from undue influence.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Under the Political Reform Act, all public agencies are required to adopt a Conflict of Interest code that designates positions that are required to file the Statement of Economic Interests (Form

700). Conflict of Interest codes must be maintained as updated and accurate to ensure that necessary public officials report their personal financial interests. These required filings provide public transparency about possible conflicts of interest and to ensure governmental decisions are made in the best interest of the public. This Board Letter supports the County of San Diego’s sustainability goal of, “Engaging the community to partner and participate in decisions that impact their lives and communities and transparently share results of outcomes.”

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation. There will be no change in General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**22. 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” 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”. Board Policy I-1, “Planning and Sponsor Group Policies and Procedures.”

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHAIR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

Appoint Tandy Litt to the CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO, Seat 19, for a term to expire November 7, 2027.

Appoint Kelli Hillard to the SAN DIEGUITO COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP, Seat 13, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

**CHAIR PRO TEM PALOMA AGUIRRE**

Re-appoint Monica Hernandez to the ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, Seat 1, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

Appoint Marisa Rosalez to the ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, Seat 2, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

Waive Board Policy A-74 and re-appoint Alleda Harrison to the ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD 1 (AAB), Seat 1, for a term to expire September 4, 2028.

Waive Board Policy A-74 and re-appoint Daniel H. Dennison Jr. to the ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD 2 (AAB), Seat 1, for a term to expire September 4, 2028.

Waive Board Policy A-74 and re-appoint William E. Stewart Jr. to the BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB), Seat 1, for a term to expire December 9, 2028.

Waive Board Policy A-74 and re-appoint Janice Luna Reynoso to the BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB), Seat 2, for a term to expire December 9, 2028.

Re-appoint Gaurav Mishra to the BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB), Seat 3, for a term to expire December 9, 2028.

Re-appoint Joel San Juan to the BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB), Seat 4, for a term to expire December 9, 2028.

Appoint Daniela Perez to the COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS, Seat 1, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

Re-appoint Steve Babbitt to the CSA No. 128 - SAN MIGUEL LOCAL PARK DISTRICT CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD, Seat 1, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

Waive Board Policy A-74 and re-appoint Mark Kukuchek to the FISH AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION, Seat 1, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

Re-appoint Janeen Reed to the FISH AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION, Seat 2, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

Appoint Samhita Ilango to the HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD (HSAB), Seat 1, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

Waive Board Policy A-74 and re-appoint Suzanne Afflalo to the HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD (HSAB), Seat 2, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

Appoint Stephen Stonehouse to the SWEETWATER COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP, Seat 8, for a term to expire January 4, 2027.

#### **SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON**

Appoint Tim Scherer to the CREST/DEHESA/GRANITE HILLS/HARBISON CANYON COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP, Seat 8, for a term to expire January 4, 2027.

Re-appoint Frank Hiliker to the FLY ABATEMENT AND APPEALS BOARD, Seat 2, for a term to begin December 14, 2025 and expire December 14, 2028.

Waive Board Policy A-74 and re-appoint Phyllis Trombi to the GILLESPIE FIELD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, Seat 3, for a term to expire December 9, 2029.

Waive Board Policy A-74 and re-appoint Thomas King to the LAKE CUYAMACA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT, Seat 3, for a term to expire December 9, 2029.

Waive Board Policy A-74 and re-appoint David Hilfiker to the LAKE CUYAMACA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT, Seat 4, for a term to expire December 9, 2029.

Re-appoint Denise Polito to the POMERADO CEMETERY DISTRICT, Seat 2, for a term to begin January 5, 2026 and to expire January 7, 2030.

Appoint Michael Stein to the SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FIRE ADVISORY BOARD, Seat 2, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

**SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND**

Appoint Melissa Huston to the BORREGO SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP, Seat 5, for a term to expire January 8, 2029.

Appoint Bryan Hanewinckel to the CSA No. 081 - FALLBROOK LOCAL PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, Seat 2, for a term to expire January 4, 2027.

Re-appoint Jeniene Domercq to the I-15 DESIGN REVIEW BOARD, Seat 5, for a term to expire December 9, 2027.

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Appoint Don Dumas to the CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT REVIEW BOARD (CLERB), Seat 1, for a partial term to begin December 10, 2025 and to expire June 30, 2027.

Appoint Melvyn Stein to the PAST GRAND JURORS ASSOCIATION IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW COMMITTEE (PGJAIRC), Seat 5, for a term to begin January 1, 2026 and expire December 31, 2027.

Waive Board Policy A-74 and re-appoint Cheryl Converse-Rath to the PAST GRAND JURORS ASSOCIATION IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW COMMITTEE (PGJAIRC), Seat 6, for a term to begin January 1, 2026 and expire December 31, 2027.

Appoint Raymond Kruszona to the PAST GRAND JURORS ASSOCIATION IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW COMMITTEE (PGJAIRC), Seat 7, for a term to begin January 1, 2026 and expire December 31, 2027.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

County government includes standing and special citizen boards, commissions, committees, and task forces formed to advise the Board of Supervisors and County staff on issues and policy and to serve as links to the community. Boards, commissions, and committees provide an inter-relationship between the residents and the government of the County. The nominations in this Board Letter enable the County of San Diego to provide individual residents the opportunity to impart valuable insight and input into the operation of the government.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The County of San Diego has over one hundred boards, commissions, committees, and task forces that serve as voice in the County government. Advisory bodies are an essential role in resident engagement that allow citizens to participate on issues relating to the welfare and quality of life in the County. They are fundamental to the County of San Diego’s ability to navigate complex and dynamic policy challenges, are a conduit to the County Bureaucracy, and a broker to community voice. This board letter supports the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal No.1 by “encourage[ing] people and diverse stakeholders to partner and participate in decisions that impact their lives and communities.”

**FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**23. 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.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT**

This board letter is a list of documents received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and/or Board of Supervisors from other entities, other county departments, the public, and internal documents presented to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or the Board of Supervisors. This contributes to the overall sustainability of the county by engaging the community in meaningful ways and promote an environment that provides equitable access opportunities for public engagement.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**24. SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 FIRST QUARTER OPERATIONAL PLAN STATUS REPORT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

This report summarizes the status of the County's Fiscal Year 2025-26 Adopted Operational Plan, as measured by projected year-end fund balance from current year operations. The projected year-end balance for the General Fund is negative \$19.2 million (or -0.2% of the General Fund budget), driven by projections in the Public Safety Group that are being reviewed for solutions. The projected balance for all other funds combined is \$11.9 million (0.4% of the other funds combined budget). For all budgetary funds combined, the projected balance is

negative \$7.3 million (or -0.1% of the overall budget). The projected fund balance anticipates an overall positive expenditure variance and an overall negative revenue variance from the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Amended Budget. The projection assumes General Purpose Revenue will perform slightly better than estimated, and business groups will produce operating balances, except for Public Safety Group. Staff are developing strategies to resolve the projected negative variance. Once potential strategies are identified, those will be brought forward to the Board of Supervisors in future quarterly updates.

Transfers and revisions to the amended budget can be made by formal action of the Board of Supervisors in accordance with the California County Budget Act, Government Code Section 29125. Increases to the overall budget require 4 votes. Transfers of appropriations between departments within the same budgetary fund that do not increase the overall budget, or the cancellation of appropriations require a majority vote. Transfers of appropriations to facilitate transfers between budgetary funds require 4 votes even if the overall budget is not increased.

In the Public Safety Group (PSG), recommendations include appropriation adjustments to remove triple bunks from all detention facilities to address an inspection finding by the Board of State and Community Corrections, support efforts for the Opioid Enforcement Program to help fight the fentanyl overdose epidemic, and for debt service payment for the Hall of Justice.

In the Land Use and Environment Group (LUEG), recommendations include appropriation adjustments for security and landscaping services, for grant funds received for the Hazardous Materials Business Plan and Disaster efforts, to fund the Calavo Park capital project, and to fund repairs at Don Dussault Park.

In the Finance and General Government Group (FGG), recommendations include appropriation adjustments for one-time expenses, for the November 2025 Special Election, for the Children's Crisis Residential Care Facility capital project, and for returned grant funds from the Community Enhancement Program and Neighborhood Reinvestment Program to be allocated to new projects.

Today's recommendations seek authority to establish and transfer appropriations in order to ensure efficient use of County resources and to maintain a structurally balanced budget. Several recommendations transfer appropriation capacity from within the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) based on operational savings that are intended to be funding swaps from one County department to others for various purposes with no impact to services.

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

1. Accept the Fiscal Year 2025-26 First Quarter Report on projected year-end results.

**Increases to the Overall Budget and/or Transfers Between Budgetary Funds**  
**(Recommendations 2 through 14):**

2. Increase in the Sheriff's Office budget by \$3,500,000 to remove triple bunks from all detention facilities to address an inspection finding by the Board of State and Community Corrections.

- Establish appropriations of \$3,500,000 in the Sheriff's Office, Services & Supplies, for the removal of triple bunks at Sheriff's detention facilities in accordance with Board of State and Community Corrections regulations, based on Local Revenue Fund 2011, Community Corrections Subaccount. **(4 VOTES)**
- 3. Increase the Sheriff's Office budget by \$500,000 to support efforts for the Opioid Enforcement Program to help fight the fentanyl overdose epidemic. This was a Board priority during Fiscal Years (FY) 2025-27 Change Letter for which Public Safety and the Sheriff's Office had to identify a funding source.
  - Establish appropriations of \$500,000 in the Sheriff's Office, Salaries & Benefits and Services & Supplies for the fentanyl overdose epidemic based on General Purpose Revenue (GPR) made available from the Medicated Assisted Treatment (MAT) program, originally funded with GPR and will now be funded with Opioid Settlement Funds (OSF). **(4 VOTES)**
- 4. Increase the Courthouse Construction Special Revenue Fund budget by \$184,286 for debt service payment based on available fund balance from the prior year from fines, forfeitures and penalties.
  - Establish appropriations of \$184,286 in the Courthouse Construction Special Revenue Fund, Operating Transfers Out, for debt service payment based on available prior year Courthouse Construction Fund fund balance; *and* establish appropriations of \$184,286 in Finance Other, Lease Payments Org, Services & Supplies, for the final debt service payment for the Hall of Justice, based on Operating Transfers In from Courthouse Construction Special Revenue Fund. **(4 VOTES)**
- 5. Align the budget by \$710,000 in the Department of General Services Facilities Management to reflect a transfer from DPW Airport Enterprise Fund, to pay for security and landscaping services.
  - Transfer appropriations of \$710,000 within DPW Airport Enterprise Fund, Services & Supplies, to Operating Transfer Out; *and* establish appropriations of \$710,000 in the Department of General Services Facilities Management ISF Services & Supplies, for security and landscaping services, based on Operating Transfer In from Airport Enterprise Fund. **(4 VOTES)**
- 6. Increase the budget by \$39,986 in the Department of Environmental Health and Quality for grant funds received for the Hazardous Materials Business Plan and Disaster efforts.
  - Establish appropriations of \$39,986 in the Department of Environmental Health and Quality, Services & Supplies, for expenditures related to strengthening the County of San Diego's Hazardous Materials Business Plan information and Disaster Recovery, based on unanticipated revenue from Environmental Public Health and Emergency Response grant funds for the project period of September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2026. **(4 VOTES)**
- 7. Cancel appropriation in the Spring Valley In Lieu Fees and establish appropriation in Spring Valley Improvement Fees for Calavo Park capital project.
  - Cancel appropriations of \$35,000 in Parkland Dedication Ordinance (PLDO) Spring Valley In Lieu Fees; *and* establish appropriations of \$35,000 in PLDO Spring Valley Improvement Impact Fees, Operating Transfer Out, based on available prior year

PLDO Spring Valley Improvement Impact Fees Fund fund balance. Funding for Capital Project 1022858 Calavo Park is included in Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan. **(4 VOTES)**

8. Increase the budget by \$50,000 in the CSA 81 Fallbrook Local Park Fund to fund repairs at Don Dussault Park.
  - Establish appropriations of \$50,000 in Community Service Area (CSA) 81 Fallbrook Local Park Fund, Services & Supplies, based on available prior year CSA 81 Fallbrook Local Park Fund fund balance to complete an unanticipated maintenance project at Don Dussault Park to replace a damaged electrical pole. **(4 VOTES)**
  
9. Increase the Board of Supervisors District offices budget for one-time expenses based on unanticipated over-realized General Purpose Revenue from Property Tax Current Unsecured.
  - Establish appropriations of \$783,765 in Board of Supervisors, including District 1 (\$200,000), District 2 (\$61,182), District 3 (\$122,583), District 4 (\$200,000), and District 5 (\$200,000), Services & Supplies, for one-time expenses based on unanticipated over-realized General Purpose Revenue from Property Tax Current Unsecured. **(4 VOTES)**
  
10. Increase the Registrar of Voters' budget by \$19,000,000 for the November 2025 Special Election based on unanticipated revenue from Senate Bill 280.
  - Establish appropriations of \$19,000,000 in the Registrar of Voters, Salaries & Benefits (\$10,000,000) and Services & Supplies (\$9,000,000) based on unanticipated State revenue from Senate Bill 280: Elections to conduct a special election relating to redistricting. **(4 VOTES)**
  
11. Increase Capital Project 1027588, Children's Crisis Residential Care Facility by \$3,408,856 from various funding sources to fully fund the project.
  - Establish appropriations of \$3,408,856 in the County Health Complex Fund for Capital Project 1027588, Children's Crisis Residential Care Facility based on Children's Crisis Continuum Pilot Program funds (\$1,687,226), Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program funds (\$871,630) and an Operating Transfer In from the General Fund (\$850,000); *and* cancel appropriations of \$850,000 in the Major Maintenance Capital Outlay Fund (MMCOF) for Project 1026221 Polinsky Repairs Phase 2; *and* transfer appropriations of \$850,000 from the Health and Human Services, Operating Transfer Out, to the Contributions to the Capital Outlay Fund, Operating Transfer Out. **(4 VOTES)**
  
12. Allow returned grant funds of \$18,177 from the Community Enhancement Program to be allocated to new projects by establishing appropriations in the respective grant programs budgets in the current fiscal year.
  - Establish appropriations of \$18,177 in the Community Enhancement Program budget Org 12900 (\$666 for District 1, \$7,608 for District 2, \$7,425 for District 3, \$595 for District 4, and \$1,883 for District 5), Contribution to Other Agencies, based on unused portions of prior year allocations so the funds can be allocated to other projects. **(4 VOTES)**

13. Allow returned grant funds of \$58,788 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program to be allocated to new projects by establishing appropriations in the respective grant programs budgets in the current fiscal year.
- Establish appropriations of \$58,788 in the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (\$15,066 for District 1 in Org 15650, \$7 for District 2 in Org 15655, \$5,527 for District 3 in Org 15660, \$33,307 for District 4 in Org 15665, and \$4,881 for District 5 in Org 15670) based on unused portions of prior year allocations so the funds can be allocated to other projects. **(4 VOTES)**
14. This recommendation is a technical adjustment that reclassifies departmental maintenance and capital spending plans based on capitalization thresholds. The result is a net increase of budget in the MMCOF of \$3,202,903 which includes a transfer of savings from a Capital Outlay Fund project to a HHSA MMCOF project and reclassification of major maintenance projects which are supported by existing department budgets.
- Transfer appropriations within departments between Services & Supplies and Operating Transfers Out, as noted in Appendix C, in the net amount of \$2,202,903 for major maintenance projects listed in Appendix C that were subsequently reclassified, based on capitalization thresholds, for financial reporting purposes; *and* establish, transfer and cancel appropriations, as noted in Appendix C for a net increase of \$3,202,903 which includes \$1,000,000 in bond funding, in the Major Maintenance Capital Outlay Fund and adjust related funding sources as noted to accurately classify major maintenance projects for financial reporting purposes. **(4 VOTES)**

**Transfers Within Budgetary Funds and/or Cancellation of Appropriations  
(Recommendations 15 through 20):**

15. Transfer \$2,000,000 from the San Luis Rey River Park Rio Prado Acquisition and Improvement project to the San Luis Rey River Park Acquisition and Improvement at Moosa Active Recreation Node Project to fund an equestrian staging area.
- Transfer appropriations of \$2,000,000 within Capital Outlay Fund and related Operating Transfers In from the General Fund, to provide funding for Capital Project 1021895 SLRRP Acquisition and Improvement at Moosa Active Recreation Node, based on the transfer from Capital Project SLRRP 1025567 SLRRP Prado Acquisition and Improvement.
16. This recommendation will swap funding sources between Capital Project 1024604 County Public Health Laboratory (General Fund to bond proceeds) and Capital Project 1021162 County Administration Center Major Systems Renovation Project (bond proceeds to General Fund) for compliance with financial reporting requirements.
- Transfer appropriations of \$119,912 in Contributions to Capital Outlay, Operating Transfers Out, from Capital Project 1024604, County Public Health Laboratory to Capital Project 1021162, County Administration Center Major Systems Renovation Project (CAC MSRP). This will enable a swap in revenue of \$119,912 from proceeds from the 2023 Public Health Laboratory and Capital Improvements Certificates of Participation to General Fund fund balance for the County Administration Center Major Systems Renovation Project.

17. Transfer \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program to the Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement for the printing of “Know Your Rights” materials.
  - Transfer appropriations of \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (District 3 Org 15660), Services & Supplies, to the Chief Administrative Office, Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement (Org 11795), Services & Supplies, for the printing of “Know Your Rights” materials.
18. Transfer \$100,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program to the Sheriff’s Office, Vista Patrol Station to assist with renovation costs for the Vista County Complex gym project.
  - Transfer appropriations of \$100,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (District 5 Org 15670), Services & Supplies, to the Sheriff’s Office, Vista Patrol Station (Org 39560), Services & Supplies, to assist with renovation costs for the Vista County Complex gym project, including the purchase and installation of equipment, flooring, mirrors, paint and lighting.
19. This recommendation will transfer appropriation capacity from HHSA Behavioral Health Services to the Groups and their corresponding departments for one-time lump sum payments to the General employees.
  - Transfer appropriations of \$14,248,297 from HHSA, Behavioral Health Services, to Public Safety Group (\$4,757,000), Health and Human Services Agency (\$6,488,297), Land Use and Environment Group (\$1,332,000) and Finance and General Government Group (\$1,671,000), for one-time lump sum payments to the General employees as listed in Appendix D, based on previously allocated federal and State funding to be replaced with Unlocked Reserves. This transfer of appropriations is based on BHS operational savings and has no impact to services or the General Fund. The use of Unlocked Reserves is recommended based on San Diego County Administrative Code Section 113.1 for these time-sensitive operational expenditures.
20. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to continue to pursue funding in the Office of Emergency Services for the procurement to map, catalogue, and database the unincorporated area’s most vulnerable infrastructure and report back to the Board if funding is identified.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

After the Board of Supervisors adopts the Operational Plan, it is monitored by the departments, Groups, and the Board. Departments are expected to work within their respective budgets. Budgets may, however, be modified during the year as circumstances warrant. In conjunction with the fund balance projection process, the Chief Administrative Officer meets with each Group to review accomplishments, emergent issues, and budget status. Department heads are required to communicate any potential problems or errors to the appropriate authority. Groups complete fund balance projections quarterly providing explanations of significant variances of their budget. The recommended actions are intended to provide resources to address inequities in County services and to identify disparities, develop meaningful outcomes, and create a County government culture of equity, belonging, and racial justice.

## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's actions support the sustainability measures across the County considering the environment, economy, health/wellbeing, and/or social aspects of the community by aligning the County's available resources with services to maintain fiscal stability and ensure long-term solvency.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds associated with today's recommendations are partially included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan. If approved, in the General Fund these actions will result in an increase to the overall budget of \$24,085,002, transfers between budgetary funds of \$2,202,903, transfers within budgetary funds of \$15,328,209 and no cancellation of appropriations. The funding sources for the increases are unanticipated State revenue from Senate Bill 280: Elections (\$19,000,000), Local Revenue Fund 2011 (\$3,500,000), over realized General Purpose Revenue from Property Tax Current Unsecured (\$783,765), Opioid Settlement Funds (\$500,000), Operating Transfers In from Courthouse Construction Special Revenue Fund (\$184,286), unused portions of prior year allocations for Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (\$58,788), unanticipated revenue from Environmental Public Health and Emergency Response grant funds (\$39,986), and unused portions of prior year allocations for Community Enhancement Program (\$18,177). The transfer of appropriations (\$14,248,297) from HHSA (Behavioral Health Services - BHS) to PSG, HHSA, LUEG, and FGG as noted in Appendix D for one-time lump sum payments is based on operational savings in BHS and the one-time use of Unlocked Reserves. Based on San Diego County Administrative Code Section 113.1 no more than 25% can be used in one fiscal year which equates to \$95.4 million, leaving a remaining balance for Fiscal Year 2025-26 of \$81.2 million.

In all other funds combined, these actions will result in a net increase to the overall budget of \$6,706,045, transfers between budgetary funds of \$1,500,000, transfers within budgetary funds of \$2,710,000, and cancellation of appropriations of \$885,000. The funding sources for the increases are Operating Transfer in from the General Fund and Other Non-General Funds for MMCOF projects (\$2,202,903), Children's Crisis Continuum Pilot Program funds (\$1,687,226), bond funding for MMCOF project (\$1,000,000), Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program funds (\$871,630), Operating Transfer In from the General Fund (\$850,000), Operating Transfer In from Airport Enterprise Fund (\$710,000), available prior year Courthouse Construction Fund fund balance (\$184,286), available prior year CSA 81 Fallbrook Local Park Fund fund balance (\$50,000), and available prior year PLDO fund balance (\$35,000).

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

### **25. SUBJECT: SHERIFF UPDATE ON SAN DIEGO COUNTY DETENTION FACILITIES INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The San Diego County Sheriff's Office (Sheriff's Office) has the legal and moral obligation to care for individuals in its custodial setting. The Sheriff's Office operates a system of seven uniquely designed detention facilities located throughout San Diego County, with a combined

average daily population of more than 4,300 incarcerated persons, which is trending towards an average daily population increase of 12 percent higher due to Proposition 36.

The Sheriff's Office has been making intentional efforts to improve service delivery to those in its custodial care. This has been achieved through focused and extraordinary changes to existing systems and processes centered on medical and mental health care services, intake procedures and screening, and contraband and narcotic detection. The Sheriff's Office has added physician level evaluations at every intake facility resulting in the ability to conduct a comprehensive review of chronic and pre-existing medical conditions. The capacity of the Out-Patient Stepdown Unit (OPSD) has also been expanded thus creating the ability to provide therapy and treatment to a larger part of our Seriously Mentally Ill (SMI) population.

Unfortunately, improvements in these focused areas are often constrained due to the physical footprint and limited square footage of detention facilities that were not designed to accommodate and house population increases and longer term stays that resulted from California's Public Safety Realignment in 2011 (Assembly Bill 109). With long-stay incarcerated populations comes greater need and investments to replace and renovate the dated detention facilities and existing infrastructure within the jail system to operate proper medical and mental health care and substance use treatment, educational and vocational programs and reentry planning. Existing detention facilities, built on average several decades ago, are not conducive to optimal delivery of care and rehabilitation services, and in addition, significant investment in systems that have reached end-of-life, including upgrades to plumbing, security systems, HVAC, and electrical building infrastructure, is needed.

Today's action seeks to provide the San Diego County Board of Supervisors with a presentation on the state of County detention facilities and the extent of immediate infrastructure needs required to maintain health and safety of Sheriff's Office employees and incarcerated people.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **SHERIFF**

Receive the Sheriff's Office presentation on the State of Local Detention Facility Infrastructure Needs.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Sheriff's Office prioritizes the health and safety of those in custody. Facility recommendations and requirements offer a baseline of the infrastructure necessary to enhance delivery of services which will improve outcomes and reduce health disparities. Above and beyond the Constitutional minimum requirements, jail facilities should reflect the community standard of integrated healthcare and support incarcerated persons with a holistic approach. The Sheriff's Office is continually enhancing technology and programs in County detention facilities to enhance the level of care and increase access, thus creating a physical environment conducive to the health and well-being of all incarcerated persons. This approach maximizes the overall health and life trajectory of incarcerated persons and better supports reentry to the community upon release.

## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The necessary facility replacements and facility improvements systemwide presented today all contribute to the County of San Diego's sustainability goal to provide just and equitable access to County services. The Sheriff's Office has been committed to improving its service delivery to those in its custodial care. Facility and system improvements and replacements support both a safer environment for incarcerated persons and more effective coordinated medical and mental health care service delivery. We are focused on a person-centered approach to rehabilitate individuals and want to provide equitable access for family members along with collaborative spaces for criminal justice and community-based partners. By investing in modern infrastructure, the Sheriff's Office will be able to provide enhanced care and resources to individuals in custody.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

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

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

### **26. SUBJECT: OPPOSING OFFSHORE OIL DRILLING IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATERS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

On November 20, 2025, the Trump Administration released its Offshore Oil and Gas Leasing Program that would reopen Southern California's coastal waters to new oil and gas drilling for the first time in decades. The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management's (BOEM) proposal includes six large new leasing zones in federal waters off Southern California, reversing decades of bipartisan California opposition to offshore drilling and putting long-standing coastal protections, local economies, and energy affordability at immediate risk. At a time when clean energy is helping to stabilize long-term costs for families, this plan pushes us back toward the volatility of fossil-fuel markets.

This moment is both a warning and an opportunity. The draft plan shows how quickly existing safeguards can be undone, and it calls on California and its coastal counties to act early and draw a firm line. While drilling is planned in Federal waters, spills and pollution do not stay within jurisdictional lines, and our communities know firsthand the devastating and long-term impacts of such disasters. Past experiences shaped a lasting grassroots movement to defend our beaches, waterways, and coastal economies, and it is the foundation for the unified response required now.

#### **A History of Devastating Oil Spills Catalyzing Grassroot Resistance**

In 1969, an offshore well in the Santa Barbara Channel blew out and released roughly 4 million gallons of crude oil into the Pacific over nearly a month. The slick spread across more than 800 square miles. Oil contaminated 35 miles of beaches. Currents carried tar all the way down the coast, including into San Diego County, and even into Mexico. More than 3,500 seabirds and marine mammals were killed. The coastal economy collapsed, families lost work, and cleanup

costs were enormous. That single disaster helped spark the first Earth Day and pushed Congress to create the EPA because Californians had lived through offshore drilling's worst-case scenario firsthand.

More recently, a 2021 oil spill off Huntington Beach sent 25,000 gallons of oil into the ocean. Even though San Diego is nearly 100 miles south, we still saw tar balls polluting our beaches and coastal waters within days. Offshore drilling failures don't stay local; the damage moves, and every community down the coast pays the price. A recent report from the Pacific States/British Columbia Oil Spill Task Force documented more than 1,100 oil spills releasing over 640,000 gallons, along with thousands of smaller spills, in a single year.

San Diego's economy depends on clean water, open beaches, research institutions, tourism, and fishing - all of which take a hit the moment oil washes ashore. And drilling in California waters won't lower gas prices for families. California's oil reserves are less than three percent of U.S. supply and a fraction of global supply, and the state does not have the refinery capacity to turn additional local production into cheaper fuel. More drilling only increases the likelihood of another spill, not affordability for the families who would be left to deal with the fallout.

California has binding climate goals to cut greenhouse-gas emissions 40 percent below 1990 levels, reach net-zero by 2045, and transition the grid to clean energy. New offshore drilling moves against all of that. It extends fossil-fuel dependence, increases emissions from extraction and transport, and undermines the statewide shift toward clean power and coastal resilience.

### **California Leading an Affordable Clean-Energy Future**

Strengthening our clean-energy economy is the clearest path to affordability for working families. Offshore drilling only adds volatility and risk.

Solar and wind are now the cheapest sources of new electricity in the United States, with utility-scale solar projects averaging 41% lower costs than the cheapest fossil-fuel alternatives, according to the International Renewable Energy Agency. Affordable clean energy also stabilizes prices by reducing our exposure to foreign fossil-fuel markets and the volatility that comes with them. California's clean-energy economy is a jobs powerhouse. More than 500,000 Californians work in clean-energy fields, seven times the number employed in the state's fossil-fuel sector, based on the latest Clean Jobs California report.

San Diego is already a national leader in clean-tech research, battery innovation, and grid modernization. These industries bring private investment, skilled jobs, and new apprenticeship pathways, all while helping stabilize energy costs for households. New offshore drilling does the opposite. It exposes our coastline to risk, raises pollution burdens, and provides no relief at the pump, because California controls less than three percent of U.S. oil reserves and cannot refine enough local crude to lower prices.

### **Taking Action to Protect our Communities**

Californians are preparing for this fight. Governor Gavin Newsom has already said the Trump plan is "dead on arrival," and Attorney General Rob Bonta has made clear the state is ready for the regulatory and legal battle ahead.

Congressman Mike Levin has introduced the Southern California Coast and Ocean Protection Act (H.R. 2862), to permanently ban new offshore oil and gas leasing from San Diego through San Luis Obispo Counties. His bill is part of a coordinated national effort led by coastal representatives who see the same pattern: offshore drilling destabilizes coastal economies and leaves local communities paying the price.

Today's item ensures the County takes regional leadership in protecting our coastline by opposing the Trump Administration's Draft Five-Year Oil and Gas Drilling Plan, supporting Congressman Mike Levin's Southern California Coast and Ocean Protection Act (H.R. 2862) in our legislative agenda, and directing the CAO to coordinate with Governor Newsom, Attorney General Rob Bonta, and Southern California counties to build the regional firewall needed to keep new oil drilling out of our waters.

Our coastline is central to our economy and to daily life in San Diego. We cannot allow Washington to put it at risk. With this action, the County joins the state and our coastal partners early in the fight and makes one thing clear: we're not handing our coastline over to Big Oil.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHAIR TERRA LAWSON-REMER AND CHAIR PRO TEM PALOMA AGUIRRE**

1. Adopt a Resolution entitled:  
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO OPPOSING OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS DRILLING.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to express the County's support for House of Representatives Bill H.R. 2862, the Southern California Coast and Ocean Protection Act, consistent with Board Policy M-2.
3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to advance interagency coordination, including but not limited to with Governor Gavin Newsom, Attorney General Rob Bonta, and Southern California counties to coordinate the unified, regional response needed to keep new oil drilling out of our coastal waters and protect our San Diego communities and local economy.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Protecting water quality and reducing the risk of coastal contamination supports more equitable health, economic, and environmental conditions for residents who depend on clean coastlines for work, subsistence fishing, and recreation and who already face rising sea-levels due to climate change resulting, in part, from the fossil fuel industry. This item helps prevent future harms that have historically fallen more heavily on these communities.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

This action supports the County's sustainability goals by reducing environmental risks associated with offshore oil and gas activities. Oil spills and related coastal contamination negatively affect marine ecosystems, water quality, and shoreline habitats. Opposing new offshore drilling is consistent with regional climate and coastal-protection objectives and helps safeguard natural resources that sustain local communities, fisheries, and coastal recreation.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for the actions requested are included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan based on existing staff time in the Chief Administrative Office, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs funded by existing General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

Oil spills and coastal contamination can disrupt tourism, recreation, research, and commercial fishing, which are significant contributors to San Diego's local economy. Opposing new offshore oil drilling supports the long-term stability of these coastal-dependent industries by reducing the risk of environmental events that lead to beach closures, lost revenue, and cleanup costs.

27. **SUBJECT: HOMEOWNERS, SENIORS, VETERANS, AND FAMILIES  
HOMEOWNERSHIP TAX RELIEF & INCREASING HOUSING FOR  
MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOMEOWNERSHIP THROUGH  
MODIFICATION OF THE FEDERAL EXCLUSION FROM CAPITAL  
GAINS TAXES ON HOME SALES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

## **OVERVIEW**

Throughout the state of California and San Diego County, we are experiencing a housing crisis. Decades of underbuilding, regulations, and population growth have been compiled to create a housing shortage, driving up prices of existing homes. Due to highly restrictive environmental laws and increased building costs, home building has stagnated across the state. Annual housing production across the state has consistently been lower than what the growing population requires. Lengthy permitting processes take years, and environmental lawsuits stunt the few projects that do get approved, further exacerbating the crisis. The existing stock of homes values have dramatically outpaced inflation, leading to an affordability crisis. The average age of first-time homebuyers in the U.S. has now reached the all-time high of 40, according to the National Association of Realtors. Seniors looking to retire with dignity cannot afford the taxes that come with a home sale. Young people and families cannot afford homes, the cornerstone of the American Dream.

With median detached home prices in San Diego County exceeding \$900,000 (August 2025), estimates say a person would need an income of roughly \$180,000 a year to afford a mortgage on a home. There is a growing sentiment across the country that older generations are bottlenecking the housing supply by not selling their single-family homes, and downsizing. However, there is a glaring reason for the lack of home sales in the market. Most homeowners would stand to lose a tremendous amount of money due to capital gains taxes. Home sales often trigger capital gains tax, with homeowners having to shell out thousands in state and federal taxes. Many have opted to not sell their homes to avoid the taxes and instead leave their property as inheritance. The tax exclusion caps for capital gains on home sales have not been raised since 1997. Homeowners can exclude up to \$250,000 or \$500,000 filing single or married respectively, in capital gains from the sale of a primary residence.

In 1997, President Bill Clinton led the passage of the current exclusion at a time when the median new home sale price was \$145,000 in the U.S., according to census data. When implemented, the caps were designed to eliminate capital gains tax on homes sales for the average American. Over the last few decades, there has been a “hidden cost of appreciation” that is highlighted in high-value markets like San Diego County. Property values in San Diego are much higher than other parts of the country, causing the unchanged capital gains exclusions to have a substantially diminished impact.

After 28 years, the exclusion caps should be updated to make selling homes more attractive to homeowners, thereby increasing housing supply and market turnover. Home values have dramatically outpaced inflation and capital gains reform should be a priority to stimulate the housing market to open up homes to a new generation of homeowners and families. There have been several bills and various ideas on how to amend capital gains in the last few years. House of Representatives Bill 4327 (H.R. 4327) proposes eliminating the tax altogether. A bipartisan bill, House of Representatives Bill 1340 (H.R. 1340), proposes doubling the current caps to roughly account for 28 years of inflation, while also indexing them to inflation going forward to provide a lasting solution. The County should support any legislation that supports capital gains tax reform on home sales to spur market movement.

Today’s actions direct the Chief Administrative Officer to add to our legislation program support of federal legislation that would amend the exclusion of capital gains tax on sales of owner-occupied housing to increase or eliminate the exclusion caps.

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

**SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND AND ASSESSOR/RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK  
JORDAN MARKS**

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to include in the Board’s Legislative Program support of legislation that will increase the exclusion caps for capital gains taxes on sales of owner-occupied housing.

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Raising the exclusion caps on capital gains tax can promote greater equity in the housing market by encouraging long-term homeowners to sell their properties without facing heavy tax burdens. Many older or long-time homeowners hold significant unrealized gains and hesitate to sell due to potential tax liabilities. By increasing the exclusion cap, these owners are more likely to list their homes, which would expand housing supply and ease inventory shortages. This increase in available homes can help stabilize prices and make housing more accessible to younger buyers and first-time homeowners, fostering a fairer and more dynamic housing market overall.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Raising the exclusion caps on capital gains tax can encourage long-term homeowners to sell, freeing up underused homes and creating more opportunities for families and first-time buyers. As more properties enter the market, supply increases, helping to stabilize prices and improve access for younger generations. By making homeownership more attainable, this policy supports the broader goal of keeping the American Dream alive, giving more people the chance to build stability, wealth, and community through owning a home.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

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

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 28. SUBJECT: ADOPT A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING STATE LEGISLATION TO ENHANCE REPRESENTATION FOR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES ON THE SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

## **OVERVIEW**

The San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) is the regional planning agency for the County of San Diego and is responsible for allocating money towards housing plans, transportation, planning and building infrastructure. The SANDAG Board of Directors is composed of 21 members (19 voting members) who are elected officials representing the County of San Diego and the 18 incorporated cities located in the County.

The County is represented on the SANDAG Board by two members of the County Board of Supervisors, one of whom is the primary voting member, and a secondary member. One of these County Supervisors is required to be a representative of a district that is substantially an incorporated area while the other must be a representative of a district that is substantially an unincorporated area. The County Board of Supervisors also appoints two alternate Board members to represent the County when the primary and secondary members are unavailable to attend SANDAG Board and committee meetings.

Although the SANDAG Board voted on December 8, 2023, to add an advisory member to the SANDAG Board to represent the unincorporated area's communities and residents, this representative is not authorized to vote during SANDAG meetings. As a result, there is no voting member of the SANDAG Board required to live in the County's unincorporated area or specifically represent the unique interests of the nearly 550,000 people living there.

State legislation was introduced in 2025 to provide San Diego County's rural communities a greater role in participating in the decisions made during SANDAG meetings. However, this legislation was not approved this year by the California State Legislature. It would be appropriate for the County to support similar State legislation in 2026 to enhance representation for unincorporated communities and their residents. The new process to select the County's second alternate representative should be similar to the process used to select special district representatives to the San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission. Under the new process, the County's second alternates to the SANDAG Board would be selected by a majority of voting members of the special districts and community planning groups located in the County's unincorporated area. This legislation would require the second alternate to be an elected official residing in an unincorporated community.

Once selected by the unincorporated area special districts and community planning groups, the second alternate would represent the County at SANDAG Board and committee meetings when the County's primary and secondary representatives, and primary alternate are unable to attend a SANDAG Board or committee meeting.

I am, therefore, recommending that the Board adopt a resolution supporting State legislation to update the process used to select the second alternate County representative to the SANDAG Board of Directors.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON**

1. Adopt a Resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO SUPPORTING STATE LEGISLATION TO ENHANCE REPRESENTATION FOR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES ON THE SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to express the County's support for State legislation that would establish a process allowing the County's second alternate to the San Diego Association of Governments Board of Directors to be selected by a majority of voting members of the special districts and community planning groups located in the County's unincorporated area, consistent with Board Policy M-2.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Residents of the County's unincorporated area, totaling nearly 550,000 individuals, currently lack direct voting representation on the SANDAG Board of Directors, even though representatives from each of the region's 18 incorporated cities are authorized to vote on behalf of their constituents. Although State legislation was introduced this year to provide San Diego County's rural communities a greater role in participating in the decisions made during SANDAG meetings, it was not approved by the State Legislature. If similar legislation is introduced and enacted this year, it could provide unincorporated area residents, many of whom live in rural and lower income areas, a greater role in participating in the decisions made during SANDAG meetings. This action would enhance their ability to contribute to regional decisions regarding transportation, infrastructure, mobility, housing, and land use policy and funding.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Decisions made by the SANDAG Board have long-term effects on the region's sustainability, transportation infrastructure, and overall quality of life. These decisions guide how regional resources are invested in mobility, housing, and climate initiatives that connect residents to jobs, schools, and essential services. Allowing an elected official who resides in the County's unincorporated area to serve as the second alternate to the SANDAG Board will help to ensure that the perspectives of all San Diego residents are considered and acted upon while shaping regional priorities. The region can better align transportation and land-use planning with sustainability goals, promote equitable access to infrastructure, and support a more resilient and inclusive future for San Diego County.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

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

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

At its May 9, 2025, meeting, the SANDAG Board of Directors adopted a \$1.3 billion Final Program Budget for Fiscal Year 2026. The budget includes \$104.6 million for the Overall Work Program, \$86.6 million for Regional Operations and Services, and \$682.9 million for the annual portion of the Capital Program, with \$187.2 million allocated for work performed by outside agencies on SANDAG capital projects. SANDAG's budget funds a wide range of regional transportation, infrastructure, and economic development projects that generate significant business activity and job opportunities throughout the region. Enhancing the unincorporated area representation on the SANDAG Board will help to ensure SANDAG decisions will include consideration of these communities' unique perspectives.

## **29. SUBJECT: 2026 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

In accordance with Board of Supervisors Policy, each year the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) adopts a Legislative Program containing statements and guidance that allow the County of San Diego (County), through the Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs (EDGA), to take positions and advocate quickly in response to state and federal legislation that impacts the County or is of interest to the Board. The Legislative Program contains state and federal legislative proposals, legislative priorities, and policy guidelines for the upcoming calendar year.

Today's action is a request for approval of the 2026 Legislative Program, which provides direction to EDGA staff and to the County's Sacramento and Washington, D.C. advocates. Additionally, today's action requests that the Board receive the 2025 Advocacy Report.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Adopt the proposed 2026 Legislative Program (Attachment A, on file with the Clerk of the Board) by taking the following actions:
  - a. Authorize staff to seek the legislative proposals summarized in the Sponsorship Proposals section of the 2026 Legislative Program.
  - b. Authorize staff to pursue and respond to state and federal legislative efforts as detailed in the Priority Issues section of the 2026 Legislative Program.
  - c. Authorize staff to advocate as directed in the Policy Guidelines section of the 2026 Legislative Program.
2. Receive the 2025 Advocacy Report (Attachment B, on file with the Clerk of the Board).

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Authority to proactively advocate for legislation that ensures equity, transparency, and access for all residents is a central component of the 2026 Legislative Program. By advancing these efforts through legislative advocacy at the state and federal levels, we are pursuing policy change and financial resources for programs and services that benefit and uplift the residents we serve.

The 2026 Legislative Program reflects the diverse experiences and perspectives of the clients, customers, and constituents we serve in our region. The community was invited to comment and share feedback on the Legislative Program through a public comment period stretching from August 4 to September 5, 2025. To bolster community engagement efforts this year, EDGA focused on accessibility and outreach, working to simplify and utilize plain language in our outreach materials and collaborating with other County departments, work groups, and Employee Resource Groups to disseminate materials and information.

Community members were able to submit feedback via the Engage San Diego platform, email, social media, and during the virtual community forum EDGA hosted on August 27. The County recorded 189 comments from individuals and community organizations through these various outlets, which is 2.7 times as many responses as we received in 2024. This strategy also resulted in a higher proportion of these comments representing relevant, informed feedback relative to the previous year. People from across the San Diego region offered feedback on the 2026 Legislative Program; of the 124 commenters who shared their zip code, half represented various parts of North County, followed by nearly 24 percent in Central San Diego, nearly 20 percent in East County, and over seven percent in South County. In addition to individual feedback, the County received valuable input from community organizations such as the Jacobs and Cushman San Diego Food Bank, the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, 211 San Diego, the Children First Collective of San Diego, and SanDiego350. Among the top issues mentioned were affordable housing, climate change and the environment, ensuring safe communities, behavioral health, equity and justice, and the Tijuana River Valley pollution crisis. Notably, the 2026 Legislative Program incorporates updates reflecting many of these top issues.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's proposed adoption of the 2026 Legislative Program supports many of the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals, including engaging the community; providing just and equitable access; transitioning to a green, carbon-free economy; and protecting the health and wellbeing of everyone in the region by providing staff in EDGA, as well as the County's Sacramento and Washington, D.C. advocates, guidance on advocacy efforts on behalf of the County at the state and federal levels.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

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

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

- 30. SUBJECT: EXPLORING COUNTY PARTNERSHIPS TO EXPAND AFFORDABLE CLEAN POWER FOR LOW-INCOME SAN DIEGANS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

Mounting energy bills puts San Diego working families in the impossible situation of choosing between keeping the lights on and paying rent. Electricity rates in San Diego rank among the highest in the nation and their trajectory is alarming. San Diego Gas & Electric's (SDG&E) rates

doubled since 2013, outpacing both inflation and incomes. Every indicator points toward continued escalation due to wildfire mitigation costs and the federal government's cancellation of billions of dollars in investments in clean power generation. One in four SDG&E residential customers has already fallen behind on payments.

The County of San Diego (County) is tackling electricity affordability through active participation in San Diego Community Power (Community Power). Community Power is a not-for-profit clean power provider that partners with SDG&E to supply electricity to nearly a million households across the region, including the unincorporated areas. Community Power lowered power generation rates an average of 2.8% in each of the last two years and sells power at a 3-5% discount over SDG&E. In addition, Community Power offers a variety of programs and incentives designed to lower electricity bills further. The Solar Battery Savings program, for example, offers customers a substantial upfront rebate to install a solar battery system and ongoing performance incentives when the battery is discharged during peak demand hours. Community Power and the County also lead the San Diego Regional Energy Network, which recently received \$124 million for a suite of energy efficiency programs for local homes and businesses.

As the energy challenge mounts, the County must build on its partnership with Community Power to address cost and equity issues. The burden of California's electricity costs falls heaviest on those who can least afford it. Households earning below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level-\$74,000 for a family of four in 2025-spend 2.5 times more of their annual income on electricity than the median income household. Low-income households also carry a disproportionate share of the state's \$2 billion in past-due electricity debt. Geography compounds inequity, with the most burdensome electricity costs in the hotter inland and desert zones. For low-income San Diego households in places where air conditioning is a necessity, electricity bills eat into their budgets at an unsustainable pace.

Energy-burdened households tend to live in closer proximity to environmental health risks but lack access to solar installations that could provide relief. These households face multiple barriers to rooftop solar adoption: prohibitive upfront costs; the prevalence of renters who have no say in installation decisions; older homes requiring expensive roof replacements or electrical upgrades; lack of interest from installers and developers; and getting priced out of installation assistance programs because of the high cost of living in San Diego County. It is no surprise that San Diego census tracts designated as environmental justice communities based on environmental health and socioeconomic criteria have less than half the residential solar of non-environmental justice communities.

All San Diegans deserve affordable clean power and the County has an opportunity to broaden access by supporting the California Public Utility Commission's Disadvantaged Communities Green Tariff (DAC-GT) program. Administered locally by Community Power, DAC-GT funds the development of small-scale solar projects in disadvantaged communities and provides low-income households with 100% renewable power at a 20% discount. Potentially 9,000 low-income San Diego households stand to benefit from the DAC-GT program.

Today's item seeks to address a key barrier to DAC-GT's success. Solar developers want to participate but many struggle to find leasable sites that meet the tight specifications of the DAC-GT program. The County can help by identifying leasable sites on County-owned and

-leased properties that are eligible for DAC-GT installations and coordinating with Community Power so interested developers may consider them for solar installations. Subsequent leasing and development decisions will adhere to existing County policies and procedures.

By taking this action, the County is helping to tackle electricity affordability and mitigate the inequitable energy burden and environmental health risks facing too many low-income San Diego households.

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

##### **CHAIR TERRA LAWSON-REMER**

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to determine if any County-owned or -leased properties are eligible for participation in Community Power's DAC-GT program and coordinate with Community Power so interested developers may consider leasing available sites for possible solar installations.

#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

DAC-GT is explicitly designed to address the inequitable energy burden and access to clean energy facing low-income San Diego households. By identifying eligible, leasable sites on County property and making that information available to interested developers, the County will help facilitate the delivery of 100% renewable power at a 20% discount to 9,000 income-eligible San Diego households. DAC-GT's focus on census tracts with elevated environmental health risks also serves to mitigate ongoing and legacy environmental health inequalities.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's item advances the County's sustainability goals by helping to facilitate the development of 20MW of 100% renewable energy generation in underserved areas of the county through the DAC-GT program.

#### **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**

By addressing a key barrier to business participation in the DAC-GT program, today's item makes it easier for solar developers to propose eligible DAC-GT projects and encourages them to serve the low-income segment of the rooftop solar market.

### **31. SUBJECT: UPDATE ON THE COUNTYWIDE FOOD CONTRACT (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

#### **OVERVIEW**

On December 5, 2023 (26), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) adopted Board Policy B-75, County of San Diego Sustainable, Equitable, and Local Food Sourcing Policy. Board Policy B-75 outlines six value categories to guide the County of San Diego's (County) food procurement process: local sourcing, equity-informed sourcing, elevated labor standards, organic or regenerative certification, low-carbon intensity, and nutritional co-benefit.

On March 12, 2024 (9), the Board directed the Chief Administrative Officer to issue a competitive solicitation for a Countywide food contract; require tracking of Board Policy B-75 values; return to the Board; and develop an action plan to support local businesses.

Today's action requests that the Board receive an update on the countywide food contract with Sysco Foods (Sysco) effected as of September 2024 and the progress made in implementing Board Policy B-75. This update summarizes progress under the Sysco contract, primarily used by the San Diego Sheriff's Office (SDSO) and Edgemoor Distinct Part Skilled Nursing Facility (DPSNF), and outlines efforts to implement Board Policy B-75.

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

Receive an update on the Countywide Food Contract and progress in implementing Board Policy B-75.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The County serves millions of meals each year to some of the most vulnerable individuals in the region. The Countywide food contract supports Board Policy B-75 by ensuring food procurement benefits local food producers, workers, and businesses owned and/or operated by underserved communities. Sysco, the County's food distributor, has begun incorporating equity-informed sourcing and elevated labor standards into its supplier engagement, with staff working to build the systems needed to measure progress. Partnerships with local organizations such as the San Diego Food Hub and Freshpoint have been launched to connect equity-focused growers and food businesses into the procurement pipeline.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

This action supports the County's Sustainability Goals by strengthening local economies, reducing the carbon footprint of food purchases, and increasing access to nutritious and sustainable food. Recent dietary procurement shifts of more poultry and less red meat have improved delivery of both nutritional and environmental outcomes. Progress in sourcing certified organic and regenerative products also supports the County's goals to reduce pollution, promote environmental justice, and protect community health. For example, Sysco, working with the San Diego Food Hub has expanded access to regional farms to supply regenerative and organic products.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

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

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Countywide Food Contract requires Sysco to include local suppliers in its catalog. Pilot efforts, such as integrating strawberries from a local producer, show how regional farms and businesses can be integrated into large-scale food operations. Engagements with the San Diego Food Hub and Freshpoint, Sysco's specialty produce farm, continue to expand the pipeline of small, local growers. Through collaboration with the San Diego Food Hub, Sysco is connecting small farms and producers, offering new market opportunities for businesses historically excluded from contracts of this scale.

**32. SUBJECT: RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON ADVANCING TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN OUR HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE (DISTRICT: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

On November 2, 2021 (4), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) adopted the San Diego County Framework for Ending Homelessness (Framework). A data-driven approach, which is one of the Framework's five key drivers, seeks to ensure that consistent, reliable, and comprehensive information is used to guide decision-making, measure impact, promote person-centered program design, and demonstrate accountability across all five of the Framework's strategic domains.

On September 9, 2025 (21), the Board directed the Chief Administrative Officer to explore the feasibility of providing a monthly memorandum to the Board detailing progress on efforts to house every homeless individual in the unincorporated areas of the county. As part of this action, the Board directed staff to return within 90 days with a draft memorandum and the data elements to track progress towards ending homelessness within the unincorporated areas of the county.

Following an analysis of the data points outlined in Board's action on September 9, 2025 (21), the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Housing and Community Development Services, Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) has determined that providing monthly updates on this matter is feasible and that the following actions can be taken to meet the Board's objectives: a) Enhance data transparency by publishing a monthly data dashboard to OHS public webpage; b) Create and maintain a By-Name-List specific to the unincorporated communities to aid in data analysis; and c) Provide a quarterly staff report to the Board to capture analysis of the data including successes and barriers to housing for people experiencing homelessness in the unincorporated areas of the county.

Today's action requests the Board receive an update on feasibility of providing a monthly memorandum detailing progress on efforts to house every homeless individual in the unincorporated areas of the county. This item supports County vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This item also supports the County's Framework for Ending Homelessness and Housing for All vision.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Receive an update on the feasibility of providing a monthly memo to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors detailing progress on efforts to house every homeless individual in the unincorporated areas of the county.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

According to the Regional Taskforce on Homelessness, the 2025 Point-in-Time Count (PITC) identified 9,905 individuals living on the streets or in shelters in the San Diego Region. Of those, 178 unsheltered individuals were counted in the unincorporated areas of the county. Regionwide, this represents a decrease of 7% from the 2024 PITC. Of those experiencing unsheltered homelessness, 1% are families, 7% are veterans, 7% are youth, and 46% are chronically

homeless. The County of San Diego (County) Regional Homeless Assistance Program supports up to 250 households from the unincorporated areas of the county each night through its hotel/motel program. In addition, the County currently supports up to 63 safe parking spaces every night through its Safe Parking Program programs (i.e., Magnolia Safe Parking, Bancroft Safe Parking, and Grantville Safe Parking). Data transparency promotes equity and plays a critical role in advancing the County’s Framework for Ending Homelessness by identifying disparities in access, outcomes, and service delivery across different populations and regions. Data informed decision-making impacts the allocation of resources, guides the design of targeted interventions, and promotes continuous improvement of programs and resources to ensure that the County’s most vulnerable residents have fair and accessible opportunities to achieve housing stability.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today’s proposed action supports the County of San Diego (County) Sustainability Goal #2 of providing just and equitable access to services and resources by focusing on vulnerable populations who need support to obtain and maintain affordable housing. The proposed action also supports County Sustainability Goal #4, which seeks to protect the health and well-being of everyone in the region. It does so by utilizing data to provide housing and supportive services to vulnerable populations experiencing homelessness, ensuring they exit homelessness quickly, remain stably housed, and do not return to homelessness.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

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

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A