



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Agricultural
Commissioner
Department No.: 051
For Agenda Of: February 14, 2012
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Cathleen M. Fisher 681.5600
Director(s)
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SUBJECT: **Appointments to the Agricultural Advisory Committee**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence:

As to form: N/A

Consider recommendations regarding appointments to the Agricultural Advisory Committee, as follows:

- a) Approve the appointment of Claire Wineman as a regular member, nominated by the Grower-Shipper Association; and
- b) Approve the appointment of Richard Quandt as an alternate member, nominated by the Grower-Shipper Association.

Summary Text:

The Grower-Shipper Association has a seat on the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC). The Association requested that its appointee and alternate to the Agricultural Advisory Committee be changed to Claire Wineman and Richard Quandt respectively the term of office for a member of the Agricultural Advisory Committee is four years.

Background:

The Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) was established by the Board of Supervisors as an agricultural advisory group by Minute Order March 14, 1995. The duty of the AAC is to provide advice to the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, and other County departments on matters related to agriculture. The AAC may review matters that have agricultural resource issues (i.e. land use, economics, pesticides, legislation, water, regulatory issues, property rights, agricultural practices) or may affect agricultural resources including but not limited to policy and ordinance changes, departmental projects or programs, annexation requests by cities, other agency programs, and specific projects that have broad implications to agriculture.

The AAC is advisory in nature and has no authority to approve, deny, or require modifications to any matter or project under the committee's consideration. The committee's advice shall be conveyed by written report of the Chair of the AAC, by County staff in reports from decision-making bodies, or by appearance of an authorized representative of the AAC at meetings of decision-making bodies.

The size of the AAC as established by the Board of Supervisors is 12 members. The composition is to include one appointee by each member of the Board and one member from each of the following groups, to be ratified by the Board: California Women for Agriculture, California Strawberry Commission, Central Coast Wine Growers Association, Grower-Shipper Vegetable Association, Santa Barbara County Cattlemen's Association, Santa Barbara County Farm Bureau, Santa Barbara County Flower-Nursery Grower's Association. At the meeting of April 9, 2002, the Board of Supervisors approved the nomination of alternates to the Agricultural Advisory Committee by each of the member groups for appointment by your Board.

Attachments:

Grower/Shipper Association letter dated January 13, 2012
Agricultural Advisory Committee Application
Agricultural Advisory Committee Members

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