



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: County Counsel
Department No.:
For Agenda Of: February 12, 2008
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: N/A
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: No Vote

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Daniel J. Wallace, Interim County Counsel
Director(s) *Daniel J. Wallace*
SUBJECT: Mobile home conversion to resident ownership.

County Counsel Concurrence N/A Auditor-Controller Concurrence N/A

Other Concurrence:
Planning and Development.

Recommended Actions: Receive report.

Summary Text: At the December 4, 2007 Board hearing, the Board requested that County Counsel and Planning and Development research potential amendments to the Santa Barbara County Code addressing mobile home conversions to resident ownership. We have learned that, with the recent increase in conversion applications and the potential loss of rent control, many jurisdictions are confronting this issue. County Counsel and Planning and Development have been in contact with these jurisdictions and have been following their progress.

Sonoma County recently adopted a progressive conversion ordinance. The validity of Sonoma County's ordinance was challenged, and Sonoma County prevailed at the trial court level. The trial court's decision was appealed. As of January 23, 2008, the parties had not set a briefing schedule. County Counsel will keep the Board updated on the progress of the appeal. Due to the ongoing litigation, County Counsel advises that the Board wait until Sonoma County's litigation is completed before considering amendments to the County Code.

Background: N/A

Performance Measure: N/A

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: N/A

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

Staffing Impacts: N/A

Legal Positions:

FTEs:

Special Instructions:

Attachments:

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