



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: First 5 Children and Families Commission of Santa Barbara County
Department No.: 994
For Agenda Of: 4/5/2022 (set hearing); 5/3/2022: 1st Reading (Departmental) 5/10/2022: 2nd Reading (Admin)
Placement: Admin
Estimated Time: 15 minutes (5/3/2022)
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department First 5 Children and Families Commission of Santa Barbara
Director(s) County
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SUBJECT: Amend Chapter 41 of the County Code – Children and Families Commission

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors on 4/5/22 set a hearing on the Departmental Agenda of 5/3/22 to consider recommendations as follows:

On 5/3/22:

- a) Consider the introduction (First Reading) of an Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara amending Chapter 41 of the Santa Barbara County Code, Children and Families Commission (Attachment 1 and 2);
- b) Read the title, “An Ordinance Amending Chapter 41 Children and Families Commission” and waive further reading of the Ordinance in full;
- c) Set a hearing on the Administrative Agenda for 5/10/22, to consider recommendations, as follows:

On 5/10/22:

- i) Adopt (Second Reading) an Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara Amending Chapter 41 of the Santa Barbara County Code, Children and Families Commission; and
- j) Find that the proposed actions are exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) based on CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3) as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that these actions will have a significant effect on the environment.

Summary Text:

The purpose of this agenda item is for Board consideration of an ordinance amending Chapter 41, Children and Families Commission, to update the list from which the Board may appoint “county members” eligible to participate on the Commission in accordance with state law. Significant revisions are summarized below.

Background:

The County’s First 5 Commission was established pursuant to California Children and Families First Act of 1998 and County Code Chapter 41, which was last updated in 2006. The California Health and Safety Code section 130140 allows counties to create their own First 5 Commission of between 5-9 members with 2 members “from among the county health officer and persons responsible for management of the following county functions: children’s services, public health services, behavioral health services, social services, and tobacco and other substance abuse prevention and treatment services.” The proposed amendment would align the County Code with the provisions of state law by adding public health services to the county functions from which the Board may appoint a “county member”.

At present, the county health officer is one of the county members appointed to the First 5 Children and Families Commission of Santa Barbara County. However, due to pressing issues that has prevented him from regularly attending monthly Commission meetings, he has recently resigned. First 5 Children and Families Commission of Santa Barbara County staff believe that public health representation on the Commission is integral to the Commission’s strategic plan and in the best interest of the First 5 Santa Barbara County Commission’s Mission and Vision. The ability to appoint a county member from Public Health will allow for continuity of leadership and representation.

Performance Measure: N/A

Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes: N/A

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis: N/A

Key Contract Risks: N/A

Staffing Impacts: N/A

Legal Positions:

FTEs:

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Ordinance Amending Chapter 41, Children and Families Commission, To the Santa Barbara County Code (Non-redlined version)

Attachment 2 – Ordinance Amending Chapter 41, Children and Families Commission, To the Santa Barbara County Code (Redlined version)

Special Instructions:

The Clerk of the Board shall notice the proposed Ordinance in a newspaper of general circulation in Santa Barbara County by publishing a summary of the Ordinance once at least 5 days prior to the first reading and again within 15 days after adoption, including the names of those supervisors voting for and against the Ordinance.

Authored by:

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