

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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## Agenda Number:

**Prepared on:** 11/7/06  
**Department Name:** CEO  
**Department No.:** 012  
**Agenda Date:** 11/21/05  
**Placement:** Set Hearing  
**Estimate Time:** 10 Min. on 12/5/06  
**Continued Item:** NO  
**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Michael F. Brown, County Executive Officer  
**STAFF CONTACT:** Michael Allen, Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board  
X-2245  
**SUBJECT:** Board of Supervisors' Meeting Schedule for 2007

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## Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Set a hearing for December 5, 2006 to consider adoption of the 2007 Board of Supervisors' schedule of meeting dates and locations.

## Executive Summary and Discussion:

The Board of Supervisors holds regular meetings on the first four Tuesdays of each month except as otherwise directed by the Board; the Board does not meet on fifth Tuesdays. The proposed schedule of regular Board meetings continues the current practice of conducting two meetings each month (on the first and third Tuesday) in the Board Hearing Room in Santa Barbara and two meetings each month (on the second and fourth Tuesday) in the Board Hearing Room in Santa Maria at the Betteravia Government Center. The first meeting of 2007 is scheduled for Tuesday January 9, 2007 in Santa Barbara.

County of Santa Barbara Budget Hearings are conducted the second week of June. As such, in anticipation of Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Budget Hearings, the 2007 schedule does not include a regular hearing on Tuesday June 12, 2007. FY 2007-08 Budget Hearings will be scheduled by separate Board Letter from the County Executive Officer in 2007.

In previous years, the Board of Supervisors' calendar has experienced a slow period during the summer months that has resulted in the cancellation of regularly scheduled meetings and in several half-day hearings.

The adopted 2006 Board of Supervisors schedule of meetings included a three week break in the summer during the last two weeks of August (one week was a fifth Tuesday) and the first week of September. The proposed 2007 schedule incorporates a three week summer break that includes July 31, 2007 (a fifth Tuesday) as well as August 7 and 14, 2007. Advanced knowledge of a summer recess will allow the Board and staff to efficiently schedule and set hearings for the remaining Board meetings through the summer and provide an opportunity for personal planning. In addition, the proposed 2007 schedule does not include a meeting on Tuesday November 13, 2007 in anticipation of the CSAC Annual Meeting to be held from November 13 through 16, 2007 in Oakland.

**Background:**

Government Code Section 25081 requires the Board of Supervisors to hold regular meetings at the County seat which is located in the City of Santa Barbara. Santa Barbara County Code Chapter 2, Article 1, Section 2-1 provides that a regular adjourned meeting may be held outside of the County seat on a regular meeting date in lieu of a regular meeting.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

NA

**Special Instructions:**

None

**Attachments:**

Attachment A – Proposed 2007 Board of Supervisors’ Schedule of Meetings dates and locations.