
ACTION SUMMARY

January 05, 2004

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
BOARD HEARING ROOM, FOURTH FLOOR
105 EAST ANAPAMU STREET, SANTA BARBARA**

The Board of Supervisors meets concurrently as the Board of Directors of the Flood Control & Water Conservation District, Water Agency, Redevelopment Agency, the Santa Barbara Fund for Public and Educational Access and other Special Districts.

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2:00 P.M. Convened to Regular Session**Roll Call**

Present: Supervisor Schwartz, Supervisor Rose, Supervisor Marshall, Supervisor Gray and Supervisor Centeno

Pledge of Allegiance

File Reference No. 03-00094

PUBLIC COMMENT**Accepted Public Comment**

RE: Budget Reduction Plan - David Clous, Barbara Wiley, Mr. Borovay, George Relles, Walter Hamilton, Ariana Katovich, Mark Massara, Andy Caldwell, and Mickey Flacks addressed the Board.

Departmental Agenda -- Public Hearings1) **COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

File Reference No. 03-01118

Consider recommendations regarding reductions to the Fiscal Year Budget to offset loss of additional Vehicle License Fee Revenues, as follows: (EST. TIME: 3 HRS.)

- a) Receive a status report on the most recent state actions with respect to the vehicle license fee (VLF) payments for FY 2003-04;
- b) Receive a report on further mid-year budget reduction options including presentations on actual and potential VLF revenue losses of up to \$16.5 million;
- c) Adopt the Budget Management Action Plan (BMAP) of adjusting the budget based on actual performance of the VLF on a twice per month basis;
- d) Select \$1.6 million of program reductions and reserves and designations to cover realized (actual) VLF reductions to date;
- e) Direct the County Administrator to return to the Board after the first January VLF payment is received to give a status report and further recommendations;
- f) Authorize planning for future contingent actions (to be ready in case the VLF backfill initiated by the governor is reduced or stopped); These include:
 - 1) Direct the County Administrator and the Human Resources Department to explore feasibility of furloughs in lieu of layoffs and service cuts with all employee organizations and report back to the Board;
 - 2) Direct the County Administrator and Human Resources Department to explore the feasibility of deferral of cost of living increases in lieu of layoffs and service cuts with all employee organizations;
 - 3) Direct all department heads to prepare recommendations, and place on the Board agenda for

consideration, proposed fee increases which were developed as part of this mid-year review or in the course of normal business so that these may be in place if the current VLF backfill is reduced or suspended including but not limited to:

- i. Registration fee for adult Public defender clients and for parents of juvenile clients
- ii. Increase Planning and Development fees charged for applicant and non-applicant appeals
- iii. Implement land development fee schedule increases in April rather than July of 2004
- iv. Implement beach parking fees for those beach parks which do not yet have a parking fee.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

Acted on and continued, as follows:

Conducted public hearing.

a) and b) Received and filed staff report.

A motion was made by Supervisor Gray, second by Supervisor Centeno as follows:

c) adopted.

The motion carried unanimously.

d)

A motion was made by Supervisor Centeno, seconded by Supervisor Rose as follows:

Approved as amended: Adopted Attachment "B" of County Administrator Board Letter dated January 5, 2004 (Recommended Actions to close the \$1.6 Million Revenue Gap). Directed that the "Human Resources" budget reduction of \$25,000 for County Advertising be increased to \$35,000 and that the additional \$10,000 be applied to contributions to Cities Child Care Coordinator positions under "General County Programs".

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Supervisor Marshall, seconded by Supervisor Rose as follows:

Further directed that staff reduce by \$75,000 the General County Programs budget (Organizational Effectiveness Program), and that staff not eliminate Oak Conservation Easement funds in the amount of \$75,000.

The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Supervisor's Schwartz, Rose, Marshall and Gray

Absent: Supervisor Centeno

A motion was made by Supervisor Centeno, seconded by Supervisor Marshall as follows:

e) Directed the County Administrator to return to the Board on January 20, 2004 with a status report and further recommendations.

f) Authorized.

f) 1) Directed the County Administrator and the Human Resources Department to explore feasibility of furloughs in lieu of layoffs and service cuts with all employee organizations and to return with cost and mandate information relative to Commission meetings.

f) 2) Directed.

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Supervisor Rose, seconded by Supervisor Marshall as follows:

f) 3) Directed all Department heads to prepare recommendations, and place on the Board agenda for consideration, proposed fee increases which were developed as part of this mid-year review or in the course of normal business so that these may be in place if the current VLF backfill is reduced or suspended including but not limited to;

i. Approved; Registration fee for adult public defender clients and for parents of juvenile clients.

ii. Approved: Increasing Planning and Development fees charged for applicant and non-applicant appeals.

iii. Approved: Implementing land development fee schedule increases in April rather than July of 2004.

iv. Removed from consideration: Implementing beach parking fees for those beach parks which do not yet have a parking fee.

The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn to January 6, 2004

County Administration Building
Board Hearing Room
105 East Anapamu Street , Fourth Floor
Santa Barbara

Adjourn

Announcements

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