



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: CEO
Department No.: 012
For Agenda Of: 5/15/2007
Placement: Administrative
Estimate Time: 45 minutes on 5/22/07
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s) Michael F. Brown, County Executive Officer, 568.3400
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SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2006-07 Third Quarter Financial Update and Proposed Fiscal Year 2007-08 Budget Preview

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes No N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes No N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: Yes No N/A

Recommended Action(s):

Set a hearing (45 minutes) on May 22, 2007 to receive reports on the following:

1. A Financial Status Report for Fiscal Year 2006-07 as of March 31, 2007, showing the status of appropriations and financing for all department budgets adopted by the Board of Supervisors;
2. A Preview of the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Proposed Budget with emphasis on General Fund fund balance estimates.

Summary:

The Third Quarter report will present an overview of the status of the County's General and Other Funds as of March 31, 2007. A focus of this report will be the General Fund's estimated year-end available fund balance. This will, in turn, lead to a discussion of the FY 2007-08 Proposed Budget, particularly the estimated available General Fund fund balance, the variables potentially impacting this estimate, and our recommendation to wait until after June 30, 2006, the close of the FY 2006-07 fiscal year, when the actual fund balance will be known, before approving allocations from the available fund balance. If the Governor's "May Revise" of his proposed FY 2007-08 State Budget includes new information that would significantly impact counties, we will also provide the Board with a preliminary estimate of those impacts on the County of Santa Barbara.

Background:

The County Executive Office in conjunction with the County Auditor-Controller provides financial status updates per provisions of the Government Code each quarter of the fiscal year. When appropriate other relevant financial information, such as the Governor’s Proposed Budget and the “May Revise” to the Proposed Budget are also provided.

Fiscal Impact

Budgeted: Yes No

Fiscal Analysis:

Narrative: Analysis of fiscal impacts will be provided in the hearing material.

Staffing Impacts

Legal Positions:
0

FTEs:
0

Special Instructions:

None.

Attachments:

Hearing material will be provided with Board packets prior to the May 22 meeting.

cc: Each Department Head
 Deputy and Assistant CEOs and CEO Analysts
 Auditor’s Chief Deputy Controller and Property Tax Division Chief