




BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Child Support Services
Department No.: 045
For Agenda Of: October 5, 2021
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Director(s)
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SUBJECT: Plan of Cooperation between Child Support Services and Superior Court

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: No

Other Concurrence: Select_Other

As to form: No

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

- a) Approve and authorize the Director of Child Support Services to execute the Plan of Cooperation (POC) with the Superior Court of Santa Barbara County, which delineates child support program responsibilities between Child Support Services and Superior Court.
- b) Determine that the above actions are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5), because the actions consist of administrative activities of the County that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order for the Board of Supervisors to approve and authorize the Director of Child Support Services to execute the Plan of Cooperation (POC) between Child Support Services and the Superior Court of Santa Barbara County. The POC is entered into for the purposes of securing the assistance of the Court to perform the duties as enumerated in the California Code of Civil Procedure section 259 and California Family Code section 4251(d); delineating the respective responsibilities of the parties in relation to the child support enforcement program under Title IV-D of the Social Security Act; and maximizing compliance with the timeframes for case processing established by federal and state laws and regulations.

This POC shall be effective upon the signing of the parties, approval of the California Department of Child Support Services Director and approval as to form by the Judicial Council's AB 1058 Program Manager. The initial term of the POC shall be through July 1, 2023, with an automatic renewal for an additional two-year term, until and unless expressly superseded by a future POC.

Background:

Child Support Services and the Court have had Plans of Cooperation in place for many years. This POC is being brought before the Board for approval pursuant to Government Code Section 23005.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: None

Budgeted: n/a

Fiscal Analysis:

There are no local costs associated with this action. Both Child Support Services and the Superior Court independently receive federal and state funding to perform the functions of the Title IV-D program.

Special Instructions:

None

Attachments:

Plan of Cooperation between Child Support Services and Superior Court

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