

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407

Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240

Department Name: CEO
Department No.: 012
For Agenda Of: 6/26/07

Placement: Administrative

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence** 

**Estimated Tme:** 

Continued I tem: No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Michael F. Brown, Chief Executive Officer

Director(s)

Contact Info: Ken Masuda, Assistant County Executive Officer. 568-3411

SUBJECT: Certification of FY 2006-07 Proposition 172 (Public Safety Tax) Maintenance of

Effort

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A As to form: Select\_Concurrence

**Recommended Actions:** That the Board of Supervisors:

a. Authorize the Chair to execute the Proposition 172 Public Safety Sales Tax Maintenance of Effort Certification form certifying that Santa Barbara County has funded fiscal year 2006-07 public safety services at a level greater than required by California Government Code Section 30056.

<u>Summary Text:</u> Government Code Section 30056 (amended by AB 2788) guarantees funding for public safety at the 1992-93 base level, with exclusions for one-time cost items and adjustments for increases in sales tax revenues. Recipients of Proposition 172 funds must annually certify that they are meeting the minimum statutory requirements. To receive full allocation of Proposition 172 revenues, the minimum funding level for public safety functions in the 1994-95 and subsequent years must be equal to or greater than the 1992-93 base year as adjusted by annual increases (or decreases) in the Proposition 172 sales tax allocated to the entity. Failure to meet this maintenance-of-effort requirement results in loss of Proposition 172 funds. The required level of funding for fiscal year 2006-07 is \$74,441,846. The adjusted amount Santa Barbara County actually provided in its adopted budget for public safety services for Fiscal Year 2006-07 was \$137,719,860 which is \$63,278,014 greater than the MOE requirement.

<u>Background:</u> On March 14, 1995, the Board adopted a definition of public safety services as it applies to the Proposition 172 Maintenance-of-Effort (MOE) calculation required by Government Code Section 30056. In line with the statute, the Board of Supervisors designated public safety

services as: District Attorney (less Child Support), Sheriff (less Court Services), Fire, Parks (Ocean Lifeguards), Public Defender, Alternate Public Defender, and Probation.

This letter and the certification form will certify to the Auditor-Controller that Santa Barbara County has funded Fiscal Year 2006-07 Proposition 172 public safety services at a level greater than the maintenance of effort threshold required by Government Code Section 30056. The required level of funding for fiscal year 2006-07 is \$74,441,846. The adjusted amount Santa Barbara County actually provided in its adopted budget for public safety services for Fiscal Year 2006-07 was \$137,719,860 which is \$63,278,014 greater than the MOE requirement. The attached forms show how these amounts were calculated.

Performance Measure: None

<u>Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:</u> Meeting the minimum spending requirements of Proposition 172 allows the County to receive its full allocation of Public Safety Augmentation Funds, which in 2006-07 is estimated to be \$30,223,468.

**Budgeted:** Yes

**Staffing Impacts:** 

Legal Positions: FTEs:

N/A

N/A

**Special Instructions:** Send one copy of the signed attached Maintenance of Effort Certification Form and supporting forms A, B, and C to Adeline Dougherty, Specialty Accounting Division, Santa Barbara County Auditor-Controller's office. Send one copy of the Minute Order to Richard Morgantini, Administrative Analyst, County Executive Office.

Attachments: AB 2788 Maintenance of Effort Certification Form

Form A - Santa Barbara County Proposition 172 Maintenance-of-Effort Summary Form B - AB 2788 (Chapter 886/94) Maintenance-of-Effort Base Year Calculation Form C - AB 2788 Maintenance-of-Effort Certification Year 2006-07 Calculations

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cc:

Daniel Hernandez, Parks Director Robert Geis, Auditor-Controller Patti Stewart, Chief Probation Officer Jim Laponis, Deputy County Executive Officer Greg Paraskou, Public Defender John Scherrei, Fire Chief Christie Stanley, District Attorney Bill Brown, Sheriff