



County of Santa Barbara

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

December 9, 2025

Present: 5 - Supervisor Lee, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

File Reference No. 25-01017

RE: Consider recommendations regarding Haven Energy Battery Energy Storage System Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs), as follows:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an MOU with Haven Energy, Inc. to memorialize the initial steps toward the installation of a battery energy storage system at the Santa Barbara Social Services Building (234 Camino del Remedio, Santa Barbara, CA 93110);
- b) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an MOU with Haven Energy, Inc. to memorialize the initial steps toward the installation of a battery energy storage system at the Naomi Schwartz Building (130 E. Victoria St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101); and
- c) Determine that the proposed actions are not a “project” as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15378(b) (5), as it is an administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Nelson, seconded by Supervisor Lee, that this matter be continued, as follows: December 16, 2025 in Santa Maria. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Lee, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino