

County of Santa Barbara X-Agenda Request

JUSTIFICATION FOR THE NECESSITY FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TO TAKE ACTION ON A MATTER NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA
(4/5 VOTE REQUIRED)

To: Chair Hart and Members of the Board of Supervisors

From: Terri Nisich, Assistant CEO

Department: County Executive Office

Meeting date: May 19, 2020

Subject of Item: Update on the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID 19)

Recommended Board Action: Recommended Actions:

It is recommended that the Board add recommended action d.

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Receive and file a brief update on the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and Santa Barbara County's response and operations;
- b) Receive and file Santa Barbara County Reopening in Safe Environment (RISE) Guide and draft supplemental documents including State and Local Guidance for Industry Sectors and Containment Plan;
- c) Provide any direction, as appropriate;
- d) **Authorize and direct the Chair to sign a letter of support of the County of Santa Barbara's Health Officer's Variance to Stage 2 of the State of California's Pandemic Roadmap to Modify the Stay At Home Order COVID 19 County Variance Attestation Form; and**
- e) Determine that the above actions are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), because pursuant to sections 153378(b)(4) and 15378(b)(5) the recommended actions consist of organizational, administrative or fiscal activities of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Reason item cannot be placed on future agenda:

Information regarding this item was provided following the formal posting of the agenda for May 19, 2020. The Board of Supervisors consideration of this item on May 19, 2020, will advance the timeline

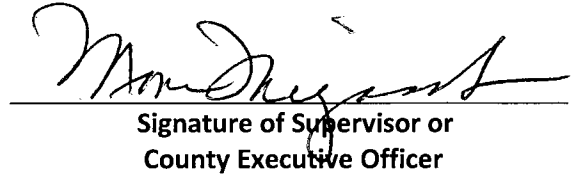
to potentially allow business within the later phase of Stage 2 of the Governors Reopening Roadmap plan to open. Such business have been closed since the Governor's March 19, 2020 Stay at Home Order in response to COVID -19.

Statement of reason for emergency, or why need for action arose after the agenda was posted:
(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Information pertaining to this item was received by the Public Health Department on Saturday May 16 and Sunday May 17. The new information provided by the California Department of Public Health revised metrics previously provided to the county. The revised metrics were evaluated and it was determined that the criteria to request a variance to the Governors Stage 2 reopening process was met. Therefore, it was necessary to provide this information to the Board of Supervisors for consideration on a timely basis,



Signature of Requestor/Title



Signature of Supervisor or
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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

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May 19, 2020

The Honorable Gavin Newsom
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Re: Variance to Stage 2 of the State of California's Pandemic Roadmap to Modify the Stay At Home Order COVID-19 County Variance Attestation Form

Dear Governor Newsom and Dr. Angell,

As directed by the Governor in Executive Order N-60-20, the California Department of Public Health issued an order on May 8, 2020, which set forth criteria, and procedures that counties need to meet in order to move more quickly than other parts of the state through Stage 2 of modifying the Stay-at-Home order. Since May 8, the State Public Health Officer has issued additional criteria to allow more counties to move more quickly into Stage 2.

The Santa Barbara County Public Health team has completed the Variance to Stage 2 of California's Roadmap to Modify the Stay-At-Home Order Covid-19 County Variance Attestation Form. In addition, the County has also prepared a science, data, and public health based Containment Plan entitled Reopening In Safe Environment, or RISE, for moving into Stage 2 of California's Pandemic Roadmap. With the Attestation Form including the Containment Plan, Dr. Henning Ansorg, Santa Barbara County Health Officer, has attested to our County's success in stabilizing our new cases and hospitalization trends, meeting hospital surge capacity, having sufficient PPE supply to meet demand, having sufficient testing to meet demand, having adequate capacity to contact trace, and having infrastructure to provide for needs of essential workers and vulnerable populations.

These documents are evidence that our County is ready and has capacity to increase our pace through the State's Stage 2.

We agree and fully support Dr. Ansorg's attestation of readiness to achieve the Variance to Stage 2 of California's Roadmap to Modify the Stay-At-Home Order. Our Board of Supervisors is proud of our community's response to COVID 19 and we are pleased to provide this additional letter of support.

Sincerely,

Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors