

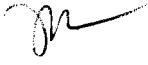


BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Department Name: CEO
Department No.: 012
For Agenda Of: 11/05/19
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s) Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer 
Contact Info: Jeff Frapwell, Assistant County Executive Officer (805-568-3400)
SUBJECT: Tobacco Settlement Resolution Update

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

- a) That the Board of Supervisors adopt the attached resolution updating the resolution that authorizes the withdrawal and acceptance of Tobacco Settlement monies pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Attorney General of the State of California, the County of Santa Barbara and a number of other California Counties and Cities. Resolution attached and marked as Attachment A, and;
- b) Determine pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15378(b)(5) that the above actions are not a project subject to CEQA review, because they are government administrative activities that does not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment.

Summary Text:

On February 1, 2000, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara adopted a resolution, which authorized the County of Santa Barbara to receive its ongoing share of settlement proceeds from litigation against various manufacturers of tobacco products. Resolution 00-51 also designated the County officers authorized to direct the transfer of the County's share of the tobacco settlement funds. The County's officers remain the same as originally designated, but today's action updates the names of those County officers authorized to direct the transfer of the tobacco settlement funds.

Background:

In 1998, a Master Settlement Agreement with regards to the tobacco litigation was entered into between seven major tobacco companies and litigating states, counties and cities. Under the Master Settlement Agreement the tobacco companies agreed to change the way they market tobacco products and to pay the states, counties and cities an estimated \$206 billion dollars. The tobacco companies also agreed to finance a \$1.5 billion dollar anti-smoking campaign.

In California, the Master Settlement Agreement was subsequently implemented with a Memorandum of Understanding between the Attorney General of the California, the County of Santa Barbara and a number of other California Counties and Cities. On February 1, 2000, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara adopted Resolution 00-51 which authorized the County of Santa Barbara to receive its ongoing share of the tobacco settlement proceeds. To date, the County of Santa Barbara has received settlement proceeds totaling approximately \$86 million.

Tobacco settlement funding is received by Santa Barbara County is intended to reimburse prior costs of tobacco-related illness. These funds were directed by the Board to be used for county health needs and programs.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Staff anticipates no fiscal or facilities impacts as a result of the Board's action on this matter.

Staffing Impacts: There are no staffing impacts associated with this change.

Special Instructions:

Please send a copy of the signed letter and a copy of the minute order to Richard Morgantini, Fiscal & Policy Analyst, CEO office.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Tobacco Settlement Resolution

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