

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:

SB County Employees'

Retirement System

Department No.:

810

For Agenda Of:

February 15, 2011

Placement:

Administrative

Estimated Tme:

Continued Item:

No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required:

Majority

TO:

Board of Supervisors

FROM:

SBCERS Chief

Vincent P. Brown, 568-2940

Executive Officer

Contact Info:

Lila Deeds, 568-2941

SUBJECT:

Cancellation of Board of Retirement Special Election

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

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

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors order that no Special Election be held for Alternate Retired Member of the Board of Retirement, and direct the clerk to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of the sole nominated member.

Background and Summary:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Retirement consists of nine members and two alternates. Members of the Retirement System elect four members and two alternates, of whom two members are General Members of the System. One of the Alternate Member seats ("alternate eighth member") was vacated in October 2010 due to the resignation of the incumbent. Subsequently, a special election process was initiated to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term ending December 31, 2011, in accordance with Government Code Section 31523. The County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor was engaged to conduct the election, and a filing period for nominating petitions was held November 22, 2010 through January 6, 2011. The Elections Supervisor has certified that only one candidate filed nomination papers (see attached letter). The Retirement office has verified that the candidate's petition is sufficient in accordance with the Trustee Elections Policy adopted by the Board of Retirement.

Government Code Section 31523, which provides for the filling of vacancies on the Board of Retirement, states in part as follows:

"...if an election to fill a vacancy for the second, third, seventh or eighth member has been called and only one member has been duly nominated in accordance with the rules established for the holding of such election, the board of supervisors shall order than no election be held and shall direct the clerk to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of such nominated member."

The recommended action is mandated by this statute, and will cancel the election originally scheduled for February 4 through March 1, 2011, and seat the sole qualifying candidate as the alternate eighth member of the Board of Retirement.

Special Instructions:

Please send copies of the minute order to: Suzanne Jackson, Elections Supervisor Thomas Bignell, Clerk of the Board of Retirement

Attachments:

Letter dated January 26, 2011, from Suzanne Jackson, Elections Supervisor, to Vincent Brown, CEO, SBCERS

Authored by:

Thomas Bignell, Administrative Professional, SBCERS

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Joseph Holland, County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor and Registrar of Voters Suzanne Jackson, Elections Supervisor Members, Board of Retirement John McMillin, Retirement Board Alternate Trustee Candidate