

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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**Agenda Number:**  
**Prepared on:** 5/26/05  
**Department Name:** CEO  
**Department No.:** 012  
**Agenda Date:** 6/7/05  
**Placement:** Departmental  
**Estimate Time:** 15 Minutes  
**Continued Item:** NO  
**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Michael F. Brown  
County Executive Officer

**STAFF CONTACT:** Jason Stilwell  
Project Manager

**SUBJECT:** Appointments to the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force

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## **Recommendations:**

That the Board of Supervisors appoint five individuals to the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force.

## **Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

This recommendation is primarily aligned with: 1) An efficient government able to anticipate and respond effectively to the needs of the community, and 2) A strong, professionally managed County organization.

## **Executive Summary and Discussion:**

On May 3, 2005 the Board established the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force to: 1) identify budgeting best practices in both the public and private sectors that could be applied to enhance the internal and external County budget processes, 2) make the County budget process more transparent, and 3) promote more participation from the public.

Applications were requested for positions on the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force. A notice of vacancy was published in the Santa Barbara News Press, Lompoc Record, Santa Maria Times, and Santa Ynez Valley News during the week of May 15. Thirteen individuals submitted applications. The letters of interest and/or applications are attached.

## Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force Appointments

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The thirteen individuals interested in serving on the Budget Task Force are:

- Gerald Barr
- Gerald Corrigan
- Judith Hopkinson
- Parker Montgomery
- William Watkins
- Gordon Bjork
- David Gledhill
- William Kimsey
- Steve Pappas
- Jack Boysen
- Zoltan Harasty
- Robert McLean
- Thomas Pickett

On June 7, after the Board selects five individuals to serve on the Budget Task Force, staff intends to hold an orientation with the selected individuals on the afternoon of Friday, June 10, 2005 (as soon as legally possible according to Brown Act noticing requirements). This schedule will enable the Task Force members to receive an orientation prior to the budget hearings beginning the following Monday, June 13, 2005.

**Mandates and Service Levels:** None from the requested action.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:** None from the recommended action; the 2005-2006 Proposed Budget has \$80,000 identified for costs associated with supporting the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force.

**Special Instructions:** That the Clerk of the Board schedule the hearing for the morning of June 7, 2005 to enable the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force to hold an orientation on Friday, June 10, 2005 in accordance with the 72 hour notice required by the Brown Act.

**Attachments:** Letters of interest/applications for appointment to the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force

CC: Applicants