



County of Santa Barbara

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

July 7, 2026

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

COMMUNICATIONS FOR REFERRAL

File Reference No. 26-00603

RE: City of Santa Maria - Approve the requests of the City of Santa Maria, as follows:

- a) Approve the consolidation and rendering of specified services to the City related to the conduct of a General Municipal Election and Special Municipal Election both to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026;
- b) Adopt regulations for candidates for elective office pertaining to Candidates' statements submitted to the voters;
- c) Approve provision for the conduct of a Special Runoff Election for Elective Offices in the event of a tie vote at any Municipal Election;
- d) Approve provision for the filing of rebuttal arguments for City Measure submitted at the General Municipal Election; and
- e) Call and give notice for the holding of a General Municipal Election and a Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the election of certain Municipal Officers and filling a vacancy, as required by the provisions of the laws of the State of California and for the submission to the voters a question relating to adding Chapter 3-3B imposing a Transactions and Use Tax.

(APPROVE AND REFER TO THE COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER-ASSESSOR)

A motion was made by Supervisor Hartmann, seconded by Supervisor Capps, that this matter be acted on as follows:

a) through e) Approved and referred to the Clerk-Recorder-Assessor-Elections Department.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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