

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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**Agenda Number:**  
**Prepared on:** 6/23/03  
**Department Name:** General Services  
**Department No.:** 063  
**Agenda Date:** 7/8/03  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimate Time:** 45 minutes on July 22, 2003  
**Continued Item:** NO  
**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

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**SUBJECT:** Performance Measurement

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## **Recommendation(s):**

That the Board of Supervisors set July 22, 2003 as a hearing date for a department presentation on the Performance Measurement process used in General Services. **Estimated time of presentation is 45 minutes.**

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

The recommendations are primarily aligned with Goal No. 3. A Strong, Professionally Managed County Organization.

## **Executive Summary and Discussion:**

A performance measurement program has been in place in most County departments since 1996 when the County Administrator introduced the program. The CAO meets with each department and reviews their performance measures every quarter. Annually, the CAO provides assistance to departments with the creation or modification of new measures. As a result, several process improvements have been implemented to improve performance across a wide array of programs.

Over the last two years, the General Services department has developed an effective method of tying performance measures to cost center management. General Services tightly integrates performance measures with our department's strategic plan to ensure our goals are met. Performance measures are reviewed quarterly with the CAO and monthly at internal cost center management reviews. General Services developed a new online tool to help with cost center management called "GS Scorecard". The presentation will describe our performance measurement process and demonstrate our tool.

**Mandates and Service Levels:** NA

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:** NA

**Special Instructions:**

**Concurrence:**