



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA  
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Department Name: CEO  
Department No.: 012  
For Agenda Of: September 6, 2011  
Placement: Departmental  
Estimated Tme: 10 minutes  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Director(s) Chandra L. Wallar, County Executive Officer, 568.3400  
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**SUBJECT: Vacancy on Santa Maria Public Airport District Board**

**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Recommended Actions:**

The Board of Supervisors has the following options:

- Appoint an individual from the forwarded applicants, or another qualifying member of the public to the Airport Board,
- Order the district to hold an election for the position at the next general election which is currently scheduled for June 2012 or
- Take no action within 90 days which would require the district to hold an election for the position at the next general election which is currently scheduled for June 2012.

**Summary Text:**

The County has been notified that a vacancy has occurred on the Santa Maria Public Airport District Board (Airport Board) on June 7, 2011. The Airport Board has also communicated that it was unable to reach a consensus on a replacement within the 60 day statutory period.

The County Board of Supervisors has the following options under California Government Code Section 1780:

- Appoint an individual from the forwarded applicants, or another qualifying member of the public to the Airport Board,
- Order the district to hold an election for the position at the next general election which is currently scheduled for June 2012 or

- Take no action within 90 days which would require the district to hold an election for the position at the next general election which is currently scheduled for June 2012.

**Background:**

The County has been notified that a vacancy has occurred on the Santa Maria Public Airport District Board (Airport Board) on June 7, 2011. The Airport Board has also communicated that it was unable to reach a consensus on a replacement within the 60 day statutory period. The Airport Board is requesting that the Board of Supervisors consider making the appointment to fill this vacancy. The Airport Board has forwarded applications from six interested individuals that were received following the vacancy.

Santa Maria Public Airport District encompasses an area of 400 square miles extending from the Santa Maria/Cuyama River at the north to a point three miles south of the community of Los Alamos at the south. Then an east-west direction, the District commences at Point Sal at the Pacific Ocean and extends eastward a distance of 30 miles, or 10 miles east of the dam at Twitchell Reservoir. The District is governed by a five-member Board of Directors who serve four-year terms and are elected at large.

The County Board of Supervisors has the following action options under California Government Code Section 1780:

- Appoint an individual from the forwarded applicants, or another qualifying (resident of the Airport District) member of the public to the Airport Board, (Subsection f.1.)
- Order the district to hold an election for the position at the next general election which is currently scheduled for June 2012, (Subsection f.2) or
- Take no action within 90 days which would require the district to hold an election for the position at the next general election which is currently scheduled for June 2012 (Subsection g.)

To meet the timelines in California Government Code Section 1780, the Board of Supervisors would need to take action or choose not to take action at this meeting.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted:

**Attachments:**

Candidate Summary Page and Applications

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