SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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Department Name: Children & Families Commission

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TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Appointment of Members to the First 5 of Santa Barbara Children & Families Commission

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Appoint Hanne Sonquist, as "Regular Community Member" of the First 5 Santa Barbara Children and Families Commission for the term of January 2006 for three years.
- 2. Appoint Roger Horton as "Alternate Community Member" of the First 5 Santa Barbara Children and Families Commission for the term of January 2006 for three years.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendations are primarily aligned with Goal No. 7. A Community that Fosters the Safety and Well-Being of Families and Children.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The First 5 Santa Barbara Children and Families Commission consist of nine regular and four alternate members appointed by the Board of Supervisors. One regular member is a member of the Board of Supervisors and three regular members are "County Members" selected from among the County Health Officer, and the Director of Social Services, and the Director of Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services and the Director of Probation. One alternate member is a member of the Board of Supervisors and one alternate member is the remaining "County Member" not appointed as a regular member. The terms of these memberships are one year, and expire June 30, 2006 (County Members) and January 01, 2006 (Board Member and Alternate Board member)

The current regular "County Members" are Health Officer Elliot Schulman M.D., the Director of Social Services Kathy Gallagher, and the Director of Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services James L. Broderick, PhD. Patti Stewart, Probation serves as the alternate "County Member". The "County Member" term runs from July to June for one year.

"Community Members" and "Alternate Community Members" terms run for three years.

Mandates and Service Levels:

The members of the First 5 Children and Families Commission will be required to devote a substantial amount of time attending Commission meetings, and evaluating future funding proposals, monitoring outcomes of existing grants, and ongoing Strategic Planning.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: All Commission appointees can request reimbursement for per diem expenses. These funds are drawn from the Children and Families First Trust Fund.

Special Instructions:

Send a minute order of the Board's action to the First 5 Children and Families Commission of Santa Barbara County.