

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

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Department Name: Department No.: For Agenda Of: Placement: Estimated Time:	Social Services 044 March 15, 2022 Administrative
Continued Item:	No
If Yes, date from: Vote Required:	Majority

County Counsel Concurrence		
SUBJECT:	Recommendation for Appointment and Reappointment of Workforce Development Board Members	
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TO:	Board of Supervisors	

County Counsel ConcurrenceAuditor-Controller ConcurrenceAs to form: N/AAs to form: N/AOther Concurrence:<br/>As to form: N/AAs to form: N/A

### **Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Appoint Kindred Murillo to the Workforce Development Board (WDB).
- b) Reappoint Cara Williams to the Workforce Development Board (WDB).
- c) Determine that the above actions do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment, and therefore it is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) and (5) as the proposed action is also an organizational or administrative activity.

#### Summary Text:

The Federal Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014, provides that the "Chief Local Elected Official"/County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors appoint new Workforce Development Board (WDB) members, and institute changes in structure and program design. The term of one current WDB member expired at the end of February, 2022. The Workforce Development Board Executive Director is putting forward a recommendation for reappointment, as well as a recommendation for a new appointee to fill a WDB vacancy.

### **Background:**

On July 24, 2014, the President signed into law the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) that replaces Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998. Both WIA and WIOA legislation create a publicly-funded workforce system throughout the nation via public/private partnerships. In Santa

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Barbara, the Public Partner, designated by the Governor as the CLEO, is the County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors and the Private Partner is the WDB; with each partner having equal standing and legislatively-mandated responsibilities.

In addition, the Federal legislation requires an Executive Director of the Workforce Board to foster the collaboration between the County and Workforce Board and provide the day-to-day management of the workforce system.

The WIOA is intended to build upon the successes and lessons learned over more than fifteen years that the WIA was in existence and to review, renew, and revitalize the current systems and structures. The key elements of WIOA are: systems alignment (between workforce, economic vitality, community colleges, and the private sector), industry sector strategies, multiple-county regional collaboration, smaller and more strategic workforce boards, and continuous improvement of the delivery system.

## Board Recruitment

Principal among the activities required for implementation of WIOA is the selection of the WDB. The Act requires that the majority of members must be from the private sector. According to the Act, these members should be Chief Executives or Executive level decision makers within organizations that provide high quality employment opportunities, and they should be representatives from the County's designated high growth industry sectors.

In addition to the private sector requirements, the Act also mandates that the Board include at least one representative from: Labor Organizations and Community Based Organizations; Apprenticeship Programs; Adult Education; Institutions of Higher Education; Economic Development; The State's Employment Development Department (EDD); and Vocational Rehabilitation Programs.

Based on the above criteria, the Workforce Development Board Executive Director recommends the following applicant to fill a vacant position on the Board:

• Kindred Murillo, President, Santa Barbara City College

Her application can be found in Attachment A.

The Workforce Development Board Executive Director also recommends the reappointment of:

• Cara Williams, Chief Human Resources Officer, Cottage Health

The WDB Members appointment and term dates can be found in Attachment B.

### Performance Measure:

N/A <u>Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes:</u> N/A <u>Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:</u> Budgeted: N/A<u>Fiscal Analysis:</u> Page 3 of 3

#### N/A Key\_Contract\_Risks: N/A

### **Staffing Impacts:**

Legal Positions: N/A

FTEs: N/A

## **Special Instructions:**

Upon approval, please send one copy of the minute order to Anthony Garduno via email to agardun@countyofsb.org.

## **Attachments:**

Attachment A: Member Application Attachment B: Roster of Names for Recommended WDB Appointment & Reappointment and terms

# Authored by:

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