

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: County Executive Office

Department No.: 012

For Agenda Of: May 16, 2023
Placement: Set Hearing

Estimated Time:

Continued Item: N_0

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer

Director(s)

Contact Info: Paul Clementi, Budget Director

SUBJECT: Set Hearing for the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Recommended Budget for the County of

Santa Barbara and Recommended Budget for the County of Santa Barbara as Successor Agency to the former County of Santa Barbara Redevelopment

Agency

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

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As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

As to form: Yes

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors for the County of Santa Barbara, (acting concurrently as the Board of Directors for the Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District, Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Laguna County Sanitation District, Santa Barbara County Water Agency and other special districts under the supervision and control of the Board of Supervisors):

- a) Set a hearing for the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Recommended Budget for the County of Santa Barbara, which includes the County's General Operational Budget as well as budgets of special districts governed by the Board of Supervisors, to begin Friday, June 16, 2023 and continue, if necessary, on Tuesday, June 20, 2023; and
- b) Direct the publication of the Recommended Budget for the purpose of conducting a budget hearing pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code Section 29064(c); and
- c) Determine pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15378 that the above fiscal activities are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act.

It also is recommended that the Board of Supervisors for the County of Santa Barbara acting as Successor Agency to the former County of Santa Barbara Redevelopment Agency:

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- d) Set a hearing for the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Recommended Budget for the County of Santa Barbara as Successor Agency to the former County of Santa Barbara Redevelopment Agency to begin Friday, June 16, 2023 and continue, if necessary, on Tuesday, June 20, 2023; and
- e) Direct the publication of the Recommended Budget for the County of Santa Barbara as Successor Agency to the former County of Santa Barbara Redevelopment Agency for the purpose of conducting a budget hearing pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code Section 29064(c); and
- f) Determine pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15378 that the above fiscal activities are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Summary Text:

Budget hearings for the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Recommended Budget for Santa Barbara County, and the Recommended Budget for Santa Barbara County as Successor Agency to the former County of Santa Barbara Redevelopment Agency, are scheduled for June 16 and if needed, June 20, 2023, and, if necessary, may be continued each day thereafter, if necessary, through June 30, 2023.

Background:

Budget hearings are scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, June 16, 2023. The County Executive Office will begin with a presentation highlighting the major issues and funding allocations in the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Recommended Budget and any significant changes made since the April Budget Workshops. Board discussions, deliberation, and adoption of the budget are scheduled for Friday, June 16 and, if needed, Tuesday, June 20, 2023, and may be continued each day thereafter, if necessary, through June 30, 2023.

The recommended budgets for the County of Santa Barbara and the County of Santa Barbara as Successor Agency to the former County of Santa Barbara Redevelopment Agency will be posted on the County's website at www.countyofsb.org by Tuesday, May 30, 2023, and will be available in hard copy for public review beginning on May 30, 2023, at the Clerk of the Board Office (105 East Anapamu Street, Room 407, Santa Barbara, California) between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays. A copy will also be available at the County's Fifth District Office at 511 East Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria. Budget hearings and availability of the Recommended Budget will be noticed (Attachment A) no later than Tuesday, May 30, 2023, in the Santa Barbara News-Press, Lompoc Record, Santa Ynez News, and the Santa Maria Times.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors currently provides in-person participation as well as virtual participation until further notice. For current methods of public participation for the meetings of June 16 and June 20, 2023, please see page two (2) of the posted agenda. The posted agenda will be available on the Monday prior to the above referenced meeting for a more specific time for this item. However, the order of the agenda may be rearranged or the item may be continued.

Ongoing Contracts

In order to efficiently manage the Board's agenda, a list of ongoing contracts by department will be presented at budget hearings with a recommendation that the Board approve, as a group, their renewal for FY 2023-24. This process only applies to single-year contracts and does not apply to multi-year agreements. To qualify for this process:

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- 1. All contract terms and conditions, including contract scope of work, must remain unchanged from the prior contract, and
- 2. The value of the contract cannot change by more than 10% from the prior year.

Ongoing contracts in amounts that exceed a change of 10% must be individually presented to the Board for approval. If rates or units of service change, the contract may qualify for the ongoing contracts process if these changes are clearly disclosed on the ongoing contracts list.

Board Inquiry Forms

Members of the Board of Supervisors may have questions that the County Executive Office (CEO) can answer prior to the budget hearing. A Board Inquiry Form (Attachment B) has been included with this letter to facilitate such inquiries between now and the budget hearing on June 16, 2023. Completed forms may be submitted through email. This form enables documentation of questions and answers, facilitating the ability of others who may have similar questions to be aware of the answers, which provides the Board with consistent information during their budget deliberations.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: As indicated in the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Recommended Budget.

Special Instructions:

The Clerk of the Board is requested to arrange for published notice of the budget hearings and availability of the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Recommended Budgets in the Santa Barbara News-Press, Lompoc Record, Santa Ynez Valley News, and the Santa Maria Times to be published no later than Tuesday, May 30, 2023.

Attachments:

- A. Notice of Public Hearing
- B. Board Inquiry Form

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<u>cc:</u> Department Directors
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