



# County of Santa Barbara

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Minute Order

July 9, 2024

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**Present:** 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

File Reference No. 24-00759

**RE:** HEARING - Consider recommendations regarding the Second Reading of a Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) Increase Ballot Measure for November 2024 General Election Ballot, as follows: (4/5 Vote Required) (EST. TIME: 30 MIN.)

a) Consider the adoption (Second Reading) of an Ordinance amending Section 32-12 of the Santa Barbara County Code to increase the TOT rate from the current level of twelve percent (12%) to fourteen percent (14%) of the rent charged in the unincorporated areas of the County;

b) Adopt a Resolution submitting the proposed Ordinance and ballot language proposing to increase the TOT rate to fourteen percent (14%) to the electorate for approval, and requesting and ordering consolidation with the November 5, 2024 General Election; and

c) Determine that the above actions are not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines because they consist of the creation of government funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: POLICY

*HEARING TIME: 10:54 AM – 11:17 AM (23 MIN.)*

**Received and filed staff presentation and conducted a public hearing.**

**A motion was made by Supervisor Hartmann, seconded by Supervisor Capps, that this matter be acted on as follows:**

**a) Adopted;**

**ORDINANCE NO. 5217**

**b) Adopted as amended at the July 9, 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting to reflect corrections to minor grammatical errors in the proposed ballot language; and**

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-164**

**c) Approved.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**



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**Ayes:** 4 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, and Supervisor Lavagnino

**Noes:** 1 - Supervisor Nelson