

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: June 6, 2017
Placement: Administrative

Estimated Time: NA Continued Item: NO

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer

Director(s)

Contact Info: Dennis Bozanich, Deputy County Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Call and Give Notice of an Election of Directors of the Santa Rita Hills Community

Services District

<u>County Counsel Concurrence</u> <u>Auditor-Controller Concurrence</u>

As to form: Yes As to form: NA

Other Concurrence:

Elections Division, Clerk-Recorder-Assessor's Department

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- Adopt a Resolution in the matter of calling, providing for and giving notice of an election on November 7, 2017 to elect three Directors for the Board of Directors of the Santa Rita Hills Community Services District; and
- b. Determine that the above action is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), because it consists of organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This matter is before your Board to call, provide for, and give notice of an election on November 7, 2017 to elect three Directors of the Santa Rita Hills Community Services District. The District Board currently is without any seated directors.

Background:

The Santa Rita Hills Community Services District no longer has enough directors to form a quorum. Cal. Gov. Code Section 1780(h) provides that if the number of remaining directors of the district board falls below a quorum, then at the request of a remaining member of the district board, the board of supervisors shall promptly appoint a person to fill the vacancy or may call an election to fill the vacancy.

On May 18, 2016, a Director of the District requested that the Board of Supervisors appoint directors to fill two vacant seats on the District Board to provide a quorum, pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code Section 1780(h). The Director who made the request subsequently resigned. The District now needs three Directors to make a quorum to conduct business. By adopting the attached resolution, your Board would be calling an election for three Directors.

Government Code Section 61040.1 (Assembly Bill 2455 – Williams) became effective January 1, 2015. This code section allows, after a petition by district voters, public hearings and approval by a District Board majority of the entire Board, the Santa Rita Community Services District to operate with a three-person Board of Directors. Possible action to implement this code section requires a quorum to be established.

Performance Measure:

NA

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: NA

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	Curre	ent FY Cost:	Annualize On-going C		 tal One-Time roject Cost
General Fund					
State					
Federal					
Fees					
Other:					
Total	\$	5,300.00	\$	-	\$ 5,300.00

Narrative:

The Elections Division has estimated that the election will cost approximately \$5,300. The Resolution provides that the District shall reimburse the County for the costs of the election.

Special Instructions:

Forward signed Resolution (Attachment 1) to County Elections.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Resolution in the Matter of Calling, Providing For and Giving Notice of an Election on November 7, 2017 to Elect Three Directors for the Board of Directors of the Santa Rita Hills Community Services District