



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: CEO
Department No.: 012
For Agenda Of: 07/17/18
Placement: Departmental
Estimate Time: 15 minutes
Continued Item: Yes
If Yes, date from: 07/03/2018
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s) Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer
Contact Info: Dennis Bozanich, Deputy CEO

SUBJECT: Report on an Initiative to Create a County of Santa Barbara Independent Redistricting Commission and Option to Adopt Outright or Refer to the November 2018 ballot

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes No N/A

Other Concurrence:

As to form: Yes No N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes No N/A

Recommended Action(s):

That the Board of Supervisors considers the following actions:

- A. Receive a report pursuant to Elections Code Section 9111 on the *Initiative to Create a County of Santa Barbara Independent Redistricting Commission* (Attachment A), and either:
 - 1. Adopt the ordinance (Attachment B) without alteration at the July 17, 2018 Board Meeting; or
 - 2. Order the proposed ordinance to be submitted without alteration to the voters of the County at the November 6, 2018 Consolidated General Election by adopting the attached resolution (Attachment E) which includes direction to Auditor Controller to prepare a fiscal impact statement.
- B. If the Board orders the proposed ordinance be submitted to the voters (Action A-2), consider taking a position on proposed ordinance and appointing member(s) of the Board of Supervisors to author, sign and submit on behalf of the Board a direct argument in favor or against the proposed ordinance and any possible rebuttal; and
- C. Determine that the proposed action is a submittal of a proposal to a vote of the people and not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(3).

Summary:

On May 15, 2018, the proponent of the Initiative to Create a County of Santa Barbara Independent Redistricting Commission filed a petition with the County Elections Office for signature verification. In accordance with the California Elections Code Sections 9114 and 9115, elections staff counted and verified the required number of signatures were valid. The County Clerk, Recorder and Assessor/Registrar of Voters' certification of sufficiency was received by the Board on July 3, 2018.

On July 3rd, the Board ordered a report on the impacts of the initiative pursuant to Elections Code Section 9111. That report is available as Attachment A.

The full text of the proposed Initiative to Create a County of Santa Barbara Independent Redistricting Commission as submitted by the proponent is affixed as Attachment B.

For the Board's information, the title and summary of the proposed measure prepared by County Counsel is affixed as Attachment C and the language of California Elections Code Section 9111 as referenced in the recommended action(s) section is affixed as Attachment D.

At today's meeting the Board will need to take action to adopt the ordinance without alteration or adopt a resolution (Attachment E) ordering the proposed ordinance be submitted to the voters of the County at the November 6, 2018 Consolidated General Election.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes No

The incremental cost for placing the measure on the November 6, 2018 Consolidated General Election is estimated to be between \$75,000-\$100,000. The higher amount in this range could be incurred if the full text of the measure is included in the ballot materials. Currently, the resolution does not request that the full text of the measure be included in the ballot materials.

Special Instructions:

Please forward a copy of the minute order to the Santa Barbara County Elections Office.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Election Code 9111 Report on a Proposed Initiative to Create a County of Santa Barbara Independent Redistricting Commission

Attachment B: Full Text of the Proposed Initiative to Create a County of Santa Barbara Independent Redistricting Commission

Attachment C: Ballot Title and Summary of the proposed measure

Attachment D: California Elections Code Section 9111

Attachment E: Resolution ordering the proposed ordinance to be submitted without alteration to the voters of the County at the November 6, 2018 Consolidated General Election.

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