

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240

> **Department Name:** County Counsel

Department No.: 0710

For Agenda Of: October 6, 2020 Placement:

Administrative

Estimated Tme: n/a **Continued Item:** No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: **Board of Supervisors**

FROM: County Counsel Michael C. Ghizzoni x82950

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SUBJECT: 2020 Biennial Review: Amendments to the Conflict of Interest Code of the

Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: n/a

Other Concurrence:

As to form: n/a

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve the attached, proposed amended Conflict of Interest Code of the Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System (SBCERS) and
- B. Determine that the above action is an organizational or administrative activity of the government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment and is therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Summary Text:

The Board of Retirement approved the SBCERS' Conflict of Interest Code amendments on May 28, 2020. Amendments to SBCERS' Conflict of Interest Code are required to eliminate provisions that are no longer applicable. (See Attachment A—2020 Local Agency Biennial Notice; Attachment B—May 28, 2020 Minutes of the Board of Retirement; Attachment C-Conflict of Interest Code, Redline Copy; Attachment D—Conflict of Interest Code, Clean Copy. Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System Conflict of Interest Code Amendments Page 2 of 2

Background:

The Political Reform Act of 1974 requires every local government agency to:

- 1. Adopt a Conflict of Interest Code identifying the reporting requirements of covered employees,
- 2. Review the need for any changes to its code biennially, and
- 3. Submit an amended code to "the code reviewing body" if necessitated by changed circumstances. (Gov. Code §§ 87300, 87302, 87306.5, subd. (a).)

The Board of Supervisors is designated as the code reviewing body for independent districts and agencies with jurisdiction wholly within the county. (Gov. Code § 82011, subd. (b).) Once approved by your Board, SBCERS' proposed amended Conflict of Interest Code is deemed adopted. (Gov. Code § 87303.)

Special Instructions:

Please forward a copy of the minute order reflecting the Board's action to SBCERS and to Deputy County Counsel Bo L. Bae.

Attachments:

Attachment A—2020 Local Agency Biennial Notice

Attachment B-May 28, 2020 Minutes of the Board of Retirement

Attachment C—Conflict of Interest Code, Redline Copy

Attachment D—Conflict of Interest Code, Clean Copy

Authored by:

Deputy County Counsel Bo L. Bae

cc:

SBCERS