



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: SB County Employees'  
Retirement System  
Department No.: 810  
For Agenda Of: January 12, 2010  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Time:  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: SBCERS Chief Vincent P. Brown, 568-2940  
Executive Officer  
Contact Info: Lila Deeds, 568-2941

SUBJECT: Cancellation of Board of Retirement Special Election

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Select\_Concurrence

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Other Concurrence:** N/A

As to form: Select\_Concurrence

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors order that no Special Election be held for General Member of the Board of Retirement, and direct the clerk to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of the sole nominated member.

**Background and Summary:**

The Santa Barbara County Board of Retirement consists of nine members and two alternates. Members of the Retirement System elect four members and two alternates, of whom two members are General Members of the System. One of the General Member seats ("second member") was vacated in September 2009 due to the layoff of the incumbent. Subsequently, a special election process was initiated to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term ending December 31, 2010, in accordance with Government Code Section 31523. The County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor was engaged to conduct the election, and a filing period for nominating petitions was held November 16 through December 18, 2009. The Elections Supervisor has certified that only one candidate filed nomination papers (see attached letter). The Retirement office has verified that the candidate's petition is sufficient in accordance with the Trustee Elections Policy adopted by the Board of Retirement.

Government Code Section 31523, which provides for the filling of vacancies on the Board of Retirement, states in part as follows:

*"...if an election to fill a vacancy for the second, third, seventh or eighth member has been called and only one member has been duly nominated in accordance with the rules established for the holding of*

*such election, the board of supervisors shall order that no election be held and shall direct the clerk to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of such nominated member.”*

The recommended action is mandated by this statute, and will cancel the election originally scheduled for January 15 through February 5, 2010, and seat the sole qualifying candidate as the second member of the Board of Retirement.

**Special Instructions:**

Please send copies of the minute order to:  
Suzanne Jackson, Elections Supervisor  
Thomas Bignell, Clerk of the Board of Retirement

**Attachments:**

Letter dated December 22, 2009, from Suzanne Jackson, Elections Supervisor, to Vincent Brown, CEO, SBCERS

**Authored by:**

Lila Deeds, Assistant CEO, SBCERS

**cc:**

Joseph Holland, County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor and Registrar of Voters  
Suzanne Jackson, Elections Supervisor  
Members, Board of Retirement  
Darryl Scheck, Retirement Board Trustee Candidate