

County of Santa Barbara BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

May 18, 2021

Present: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Hart, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and

Supervisor Lavagnino

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File Reference No. 21-00473

RE:

Consider recommendations regarding the appointment of and compensation for County Counsel for the County of Santa Barbara, which occurs pursuant to Government Code Section 27640-27641, and which comes after both a competitive recruitment and prior Closed Session consideration, as follows:

- a) Approve the appointment of Rachel Van Mullem as County Counsel for the County of Santa Barbara, with a statutory four-year term that will begin on June 28, 2021;
- b) Set Rachel Van Mullem's annual salary as County Counsel as \$245,000.00, plus other benefits consistent with those received by other Santa Barbara County Department Managers, and subject to further annual increases by the Board of Supervisors based on performance; and
- c) Determine that the activity is not a "Project" subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(5), since the activity is an organizational or administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

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

a) through c) Approved.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Hart, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino