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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 3, 2022

To: Monterey County Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Luis Alejo

Re: County Supervisor Committee Assignments Recommendations

As a member of the Ad Hoc Committee on Standing Committee Assignments, these are my top two recommendations for the full Board of Supervisors to consider:

1. Formalize that Standing Committee assignments will continue to be recommended by the Chair of the Board, and the final approval of standing committee assignments will be done by a majority vote by the Board of Supervisors. In addition, if a supervisor desires to serve on a particular committee, she/he is encouraged to request a change or a swap a committee assignment with a colleague.

BENEFITS:

- a. Maintains current assignments and allows potential changes to take place after this year's election.
- b. Allows supervisors to continue serving on committees that they have an interest and passion to serve on. For this year's committee assignments requests, 3 of 5 supervisors expressed wanting to keep their current committee assignments as they are with very little change.
- c. Allows supervisors to utilize their experience and institutional memory to best carry out the goals and work of the Standing Committees.
- d. Encourages better collaboration among supervisors, rather than forcing committee assignments changes at this time.
- e. Reduces disruption of important Committee work already being done by current supervisors serving on those committees.
- f. Almost all county boards of supervisors in California decide committee assignments by a majority vote.

2. As an alternative, Chair continues to recommend Standing Committee assignments & the Board of Supervisors make the final approval of standing committee assignments by a majority vote with multi-year terms to apply prospectively (3 or 4 years, with or without term limits).

BENEFITS:

- a. Accomplished the same benefits as the first recommendation but with some reasonable limits on length of service. Limits would apply prospectively to avoid disruption in current Standing Committee assignments.