Monterey County Government Center Board of Supervisor Chambers 168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor



Meeting Agenda - Final-Revised

IMPORTANT COVID-19 NOTICE ON PAGE 2-4 AVISO IMPORTANTE SOBRE COVID-19 EN LA PAGINA 2-4

> Tuesday, October 26, 2021 10:30 AM

https://montereycty.zoom.us/j/224397747

## Board of Supervisors of the Monterey County Water Resources Agency

Chair Supervisor Wendy Root Askew - District 4 Vice Chair Supervisor Mary L. Adams - District 5 Supervisor Luis A. Alejo - District 1 Supervisor John M. Phillips - District 2 Supervisor Chris Lopez - District 3 **Important Notice Regarding COVID 19** 

Based on guidance from the California Department of Public Health and the California Governor's Office, in order to minimize the spread of the COVID 19 virus, please do the following:

1. While the Board chambers remain open, you are strongly encouraged to observe the live stream of the Board of Supervisors meetings at https://monterey.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx, http://www.mgtvonline.com/, www.youtube.com/c/MontereyCountyTV or https://www.facebook.com/MontereyCoInfo/

If you attend the Board of Supervisors meeting in person, you will be required to maintain appropriate social distancing, i.e., maintain a 6-foot distance between yourself and other individuals.

2. If you choose not to attend the Board of Supervisors meeting but desire to make general public comment, or comment on a specific item on the agenda, you may do so in two ways:

a.submit your comment via email by 5:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to the Board meeting. Please submit your comment to the Clerk of the Board at cob@co.monterey.ca.us. In an effort to assist the Clerk in identifying the agenda item relating to your public comment please indicate in the Subject Line, the meeting body (i.e. Board of Supervisors Agenda) and item number (i.e. Item No. 10). Your comment will be placed into the record at the Board meeting.

b. you may participate through ZOOM. For ZOOM participation please join by computer audio at: https://montereycty.zoom.us/j/224397747

OR to participate by phone call any of these numbers below:

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You will be placed in the meeting as an attendee; when you are ready to make a public comment if joined by computer audio please Raise your Hand; and by phone please push \*9 on your keypad.

**3.** You are encouraged to participate via Zoom; however, additional seating with audio of the Board meeting will be available in the Monterey Room on the 2nd floor of the County Government Center is needed for overflow.

Aviso importante sobre COVID 19

Según la orientación del Departamento de Salud Pública de California y la Oficina del Gobernador de California, para minimizar la propagación del virus COVID 19, haga lo siguiente:

1. Mientras las cámaras de la Junta permanezcan abiertas, se le recomienda encarecidamente que observe la transmisión en vivo de las reuniones de la Junta de Supervisores en https://monterey.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx, http://www.mgtvonline.com/, www.youtube.com/c/MontereyCountyTV o https://www.facebook.com/MontereyCoInfo/

Si asiste a la reunión de la Junta de Supervisores en persona, se le pedirá que mantenga un distanciamiento social apropiado, es decir, mantenga una distancia de 6 pies entre usted y otras personas.

2. Si elige no asistir a la reunión de la Junta de Supervisores pero desea hacer comentarios del público en general, o comentar sobre un tema específico de la agenda, puede hacerlo de dos maneras:

Envíe su comentario por correo electrónico antes de las 5:00 p.m. el lunes anterior a la reunión de la Junta. Envíe su comentario al Secretario de la Junta a cob@co.monterey.ca.us. En un esfuerzo por ayudar al Secretario a identificar el ítem de la agenda relacionado con su comentario público, por favor indique en la Línea de Asunto, el cuerpo de la reunión (es decir, la Agenda de la Junta de Supervisores) y el número del ítem (es decir, el Ítem No. 10). Su comentario se colocará en el registro en la reunión de la Junta.

B. puede participar a través de ZOOM. Para participar en ZOOM, únase por audio de computadora en: https://montereycty.zoom.us/j/224397747

O para participar por teléfono llame a cualquiera de los siguientes números:

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Ingrese este número de identificación de la reunión: 224397747 cuando se le solicite. Tenga en cuenta que no hay un código de participante, simplemente presionará # nuevamente después de que la grabación le indique.

Se le colocará en la reunión como asistente; cuando esté listo para hacer un comentario público si se le une el audio de la computadora, levante la mano; y por teléfono, presione \* 9 en su teclado.

3. Se le anima a participar a través de Zoom; sin embargo, se necesitarán asientos adicionales con audio de la reunión de la Junta en el Salón Monterey en el segundo piso del Centro de Gobierno del Condado para el desbordamiento.

NOTE: All agenda titles related to numbered agenda items are live web links. Click on the title to be directed to the corresponding Board Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public may address comments to the Board concerning each agenda item. The timing of public comment shall be at the discretion of the Chair.

### Please refer to the separate agenda for the Board of Supervisors

Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order No. N-29-20, some or all Supervisors may participate in the meeting by telephone or video conference.

### 10:30 A.M. - Call to Order

<u>Roll Call</u>

### 10:30 A.M. - Reconvene on Public Agenda Items

<u>Roll Call</u>

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Additions and Corrections by Clerk**

The Clerk of the Board will announce agenda corrections and proposed additions, which may be acted on by the Board as provided in Sections 54954.2 of the California Government Code.

### **General Public Comments**

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Board on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. Board members may respond briefly to the statement made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Board at a future meeting.

### **Consent Calendar**

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c. Delegate authority to the Water Resources Agency General Manager, to implement changes to the County of Monterey Emergency Response Manual and COVID-19 Prevention Program in accordance with changes in policy direction, County ordinances, or state or federal laws or directives.

Attachments: Board Report

### 10:30 A.M. - Scheduled Matters

#### **Public Comment**

2. Consider finding, pursuant to AB 361 and in order for the Board of Supervisors of the Monterey County Water Resources Agency to continue meeting remotely, that the COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency declared by Governor Newsom is still in effect; the Board of Supervisors has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency; and the Monterey County Health Officer continues to recommend social distancing measures for meetings of the legislative bodies. (ADDED VIA ADDENDA)

Attachments: <u>BoardReport</u>

### **Adjournment**



## **Board Report**

### Legistar File Number: WRAG 21-172

October 26, 2021

Board of Supervisors Chambers

168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor Salinas, CA 93901

Item No.1

Introduced: 10/13/2021

Version: 1

Current Status: Consent Agenda Matter Type: WR General Agenda

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

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In response to emerging situations, and to ensure compliance with changes in County policy direction, ordinances, and/or state or federal laws or directives, protocols outlined in the Manual may

need to be modified. The delegation of authority to the Water Resources General Manager in consultation with the County of Monterey's Director of Human Resources, the County Administrative Officer, and County Counsel to implement changes to the County of Monterey Emergency Response Manual and COVID-19 Prevention Program, will allow for the Monterey County Water Resources Agency to quickly adapt to these changes.

The Emergency Response Manual and COVID-19 Prevention Program is not intended to supplant the Water Resources Agency's responsibilities, policies, and procedures, in particular, with respect to routine statutory obligations.

Therefore, it is recommended that the Board of Supervisors of the Monterey County Water Resources Agency approve these actions.

### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The County of Monterey's Human Resources Department, County Administrative Office, and Office of County Counsel concur with these recommendations.

### FINANCING:

There is no cost associated with these actions.

Prepared By: Wendell Sells, Management Analyst III, 796-6066

Approved By:

Brent Buche, General Manager, 755-8982



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**Board Report** 

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Item No.2

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### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

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The Monterey County Health Officer has recommended social distancing measures for meetings of legislative bodies, so the Board of Supervisors of the Water Resources Agency was able to meet remotely the first time after September 30, 2021. In order to continue meeting remotely, the Board of Supervisors must make the findings outlined above.

Accordingly, staff recommends making the appropriate findings. This action will be required every 30 days in order to keep meeting remotely; a special meeting may be necessary for that purpose.

### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The General Manager concurs in the recommendation.

#### FINANCING:

The only financial impact is the continuing cost of teleconferencing.

### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

\_\_Economic Development X Administration \_\_Health & Human Services \_\_Infrastructure X Public Safety

Prepared and Approved by:

Leslie J. Girard, County Counsel

Attachments: Board Report



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### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The General Manager concurs in the recommendation.

FINANCING:

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### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

\_\_Economic Development X Administration \_\_Health & Human Services \_\_Infrastructure X Public Safety

Prepared and Approved by:

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Leslie J. Girard, County Counsel

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