



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
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Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Part 4 of Division 10 of the California Elections Code is known as the Uniform District Election Law and specifies the process for the nomination and appointment and or election of members to various special districts.

Elections Code Section 10500(b)(13) defines the supervising authority for each local special district as the board of supervisors of the county in which all or most of the land of a district is situated. This Board of Supervisors is the supervising authority for various special districts situated within Monterey County.

Section 10515 requires that the Registrar of Voters notify the supervising authority if an insufficient number of candidates has been nominated for a position on the governing board of a special district, and a petition requesting that said election be held has not been presented to the Registrar of Voters.

Section 10515 further requires that, at a regular or special meeting held prior to the Monday before the first Friday in December, the supervising authority appoint the qualified nominees who have filed declarations of candidacy.

The persons identified in the attached Exhibit A- 'Appointments in Lieu of Election' are qualified nominees for candidacy of their respective office and against whom no other nominations were made. The Registrar of Voters recommends the indicated persons be appointed to the governing boards of their respective districts by the Board of Supervisors. In each of the special districts on this list, the number of candidates equals the seats available, with the exception of Santa Lucia Community Services District. As noted in the document, there

were two nominees for three positions for the Santa Lucia Community Services District. As such, the Board should make an appointment for that remaining vacancy.

Separately, pursuant to applicable law, if no person has filed a declaration of candidacy for any office, the supervising authority shall appoint any person to the office who is qualified, or duly registered to vote in the district, as of the date of the scheduled election, which in this case is November 3, 2015. The Board of Supervisors should solicit potential appointees for the offices identified in the attached Exhibit B- 'Open District Seats' so that such appointments may be made by the applicable statutory deadline.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The districts listed in the attachments have requested that the Registrar of Voters provide all necessary services for the November 3, 2015 General Election.

FINANCING:

There will be no additional cost to the County General Fund associated with this recommendation.

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Attachments:

Exhibit A- Appointments in Lieu of Election

Exhibit B- Open District Seats