

# **County of Monterey**

*Government Center - Board Chambers  
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor  
Salinas, CA 93901*



## **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

**Tuesday, August 12, 2025**

**12:00 PM**

## **Board of Supervisors**

*Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez - District 3  
Vice Chair Supervisor Wendy Root Askew - District 4  
Supervisor Kate Daniels- District 5  
Supervisor Luis A. Alejo - District 1  
Supervisor Glenn Church - District 2*

**12:00 P.M. - Called to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez.

**Roll Called**

**Present:** 4 - Supervisor Kate Daniels, Supervisor Wendy Root Askew, Supervisor Chris Lopez and Supervisor Glenn Church were present

**Absent:** 1 - Supervisor Luis A. Alejo; Arrival time will be later this morning

**Staff Present**

Sonia De La Rosa, County Administrative Officer, Kelly Donlon, Assistant Chief County Counsel and Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board were present.

**Additions and Corrections for Closed Session by County Counsel**

There were no additions and corrections for closed session.

**Closed Session**

1. Closed Session under Government Code section 54950, relating to the following items:
  - a. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2), the Board will confer with legal counsel regarding one matter of significant exposure to litigation.
  - b. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8, the Board will confer with real property negotiators:
    - (1) Property: Laguna Seca Concession  
Agency Negotiator(s): Randy Ishii and Bryan Flores  
Negotiating Parties: Ross Merrill and Mel Harder  
Under negotiation: Price and terms
    - (2) Property: Manzanita Park  
Agency Negotiator(s): Randy Ishii and Bryan Flores  
Negotiating Parties: Dan Thompson, Linda Scherrer and Jeff Vest  
Under negotiation: Price and terms
  - c. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1), the Board will confer with legal counsel regarding existing litigation:
    - (1) *Mario Gonzalez, et al. v. State of CA, et al.* (Monterey County Superior Court Case No. 23CV004194 as lead coordinated case, including subordinate Monterey County Cases: 24CV000215; 24CV000421; 24CV000428; 24CV000848; 24CV000904; 24CV001269; and Santa Cruz County Superior Court Case No. 23CV03022)
    - (2) *Lasher, Michael v. County of Monterey, et al.* (Monterey County Superior Court case no. 23CV00324)

d. Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6, the Board will provide direction to negotiators:

(1) Designated representatives: Andreas Pyper and Ariana Hurtado

Employee Organization(s): All Units (ADDED VIA SUPPLEMENTAL)

### **Public Comments for Closed Session**

Open for public comments; no comments made.

### **The Board Recessed for Closed Session Agenda Items**

### **1:30 P.M. - Reconvened on Public Agenda Items**

### **Roll Called**

Present: 5 - Supervisor Kate Daniels, Supervisor Wendy Root Askew, Supervisor Luis A. Alejo, Supervisor Chris Lopez and Supervisor Glenn Church were present

### **Staff Present**

Sonia De La Rosa, County Administrative Officer, Kelly Donlon, Assistant Chief County Counsel and Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board were present.

### **Announcement of Interpreter**

Diego Celis, Spanish Interpreter present and announced Spanish interpreter services.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Supervisor Luis A. Alejo.

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

There were no additions and corrections to today's agenda.

### **Ceremonial Resolutions**

Open for public comments; no comments made.

A motion was made by Supervisor Glenn Church, seconded by Supervisor Luis A. Alejo to approve Item Number 2.

**ALL AYES**

2. Adopt a resolution honoring the 2025 graduates of the Proudly Pajaro program, the Community Action Board, Casa de la Cultura, and the Pajaro Disaster Long Term Recovery Alliance.  
(Supervisor Church)

**Adopted Resolution No. 25-256**

**Appointments**

Open for public comments; no comments made.

A motion was made by Supervisor Luis A. Alejo, seconded by Supervisor Glenn Church to appoint/reappoint Item Number 3 through 5.

**ALL AYES**

3. Appoint Carolynne Roderick to Equal Opportunity and Civil Rights Advisory Commission representing the Service Employee International Union (SEIU) Local 521 Monterey County Chapter with a term expiration date on December 31, 2027. (Nominated by Olivia Martinez, Region 2 Director SEIU Local 521)

**Appointed**

4. Reappoint Ronald Holder to the Community Action Commission representing District 2 with a term end date of July 1, 2028 (District Specific - District 2, Supervisor Church)

**Reappointed**

5. Reappoint Clinton Miller to the Agricultural Advisory Committee as a District 2 Representative with a term end date of June 30, 2028 (District Specific - District 2, Supervisor Church)

**Appointed**

**Approval of Consent Calendar – (See Supplemental Sheet)**

6. See Supplemental Sheet

Open for public comments; no comments made.

A motion was made by Supervisor Luis A. Alejo, seconded by Supervisor Wendy Root Askew to approve Consent Calendar Item Numbers 12 through 26.

**ALL AYES**

**General Public Comments**

7. General Public Comments

Open for general public comments for items not on the agenda today; Karen Cameron, Matt David, Elijah David, Julia (no last name provided); Katherine (no last name provided) and Michelle Clary commented.

**Scheduled Matters**

8. **REF140023 - Update to Zoning Maps and Classifications**  
Public Hearing recommending that the Board of Supervisors:  
a. Consider and find adoption of the ordinance consistent within the scope of the previously

certified Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the 2010 General Plan (SCH #2007121001) pursuant to CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines Section 15162; and

b. Adopt an ordinance amend Chapters 21.08 and 21.50 of the Monterey County Code (Title 21, inland zoning) to reclassify multiple zoning districts for consistency with the 2010 County of Monterey General Plan land use designations.

**Project Location:** Inland areas of unincorporated Monterey County

**Edgar Sanchez, Assistant Planner and Melanie Beretti, Chief of Planning both from Housing and Community DEvelopment presented via PowerPoint presentation.**

Open for public comments; no comments made.

A motion was made by Supervisor Luis A.Alejo, seconded by Supervisor Kate Daniels to:

a. Find adoption of the ordinance consistent within the scope of the previously certified Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the 2010 General Plan (SCH #2007121001) pursuant to CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) Guidelines Section 15162; and

b. Adopt an ordinance amend Chapters 21.08 and 21.50 of the Monterey County Code (Title 21, inland zoning) to reclassify multiple zoning districts for consistency with the 2010 County of Monterey General Plan land use designations.

ALL AYES

### Other Board Matters

#### Referral Matrix and New Referrals

#### 9. Referral Matrix and New Referrals

There were no new referrals for this week's agenda.

#### County Administrative Officer Comments

#### 10. County Administrative Officer Comments

Sonia De La Rosa, County Administrative Officer's comments can be heard by clicking this link:

[https://monterey.granicus.com/player/clip/5824?meta\\_id=922215](https://monterey.granicus.com/player/clip/5824?meta_id=922215)

#### Board Comments

#### 11. Board Comments

Board comments can be heard by clicking the following link:

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### Read Out from Closed Session by County Counsel

There was no reportable action for Closed Session.

**Adjourned**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m. by Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez.

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Chris Lopez  
**CHRIS LOPEZ, CHAIR**

**ATTEST:**

**BY:** /s/ Valerie Ralph

**VALERIE RALPH**

**CLERK OF THE BOARD**

**APPROVED ON: , 2025**

**Supplemental Sheet, Consent Calendar****Natividad Medical Center**

12. a. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer of Natividad Medical Center, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$1,153,761 to increase pier depths of solar canopies and to implement necessary Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades with Opterra Energy Services as part of the ongoing solar project at Natividad Medical Center; and,
- b. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer of Natividad Medical Center, or designee, to increase the contingency budget for this project by \$357,000 as part of this change order; and,
- c. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer of Natividad Medical Center, or designee, to fund the implementation of these change orders using \$429,026 from Natividad Medical Center's Enterprise Fund NMC001-451-9600-8142.

**Approved**

**Health Department**

13. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute a Non-Standard Professional Services Agreement with Syracuse University, on behalf of its Burton Blatt Institute, for the provision of program management and consultation services to fulfill the approved "Multi-County Collaborative Psychiatric Advance Directives - Phase II" Mental Health Services Act Innovation Plan for a total Agreement not to exceed \$1,000,000 for the term retroactively beginning July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2029. Due to late and ongoing contract negotiations, with direction for an effective date of July 1, 2025, the agreement took additional time to review and agendize, which by necessity makes the agreement retroactive when presented to the Board.

**Approved**

14. a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Salinas for in-person mobile crisis field response services to the City of Salinas, for an amount of \$390,000 for FY 2025-26. The MOU is retroactive, and the term is July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026; and
- b. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute up to three (3) future amendments that do not exceed 10% (\$39,000) of the original Agreement amount, do not significantly alter the scope of services, and do not increase the total not to exceed the maximum amount over \$429,000.

**Approved**

15. a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute a Mental Health Services Agreement between the County of Monterey and the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula for acute inpatient psychiatric Medi-Cal services and acute crisis stabilization unit (CSU) services, for a maximum County obligation of \$3,045,124 for the FY

2025-26, with a retroactive term of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026; and

b. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute up to three (3) future amendments that do not exceed 10% (\$304,512) of the original Agreement, do not significantly change the scope of services, and do not increase the total not to exceed maximum amount over \$3,349,636.

**Approved**

16. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute a Renewal and Amendment No.1 to Mental Health Services Agreement A-17388 with PCH Treatment, Inc. for the provision of residential treatment services for treating obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD) and anxiety-related issues, retroactive to July 16, 2025 to extend the term to December 31, 2025 and add \$335,000 of additional services, for a revised total Agreement amount not to exceed \$613,000.

**Approved**

17. a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute Renewal and Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. A-17082 with Spay Neuter Imperative Project (SNIP) for the provision of all-inclusive spay/neuter clinics for domestic and feral cats of residents within Monterey County communities, and providing requested veterinary services to shelter animals, adding \$200,000 for a new total Agreement amount of \$552,500 and retroactively extending the term one year for a new term of September 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026; and
- b. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute one (1) future amendment to this Agreement where the amendment does not exceed 10% (\$31,500) of the original Agreement amount, does not significantly change the scope of work, and the total Agreement amount does not exceed \$584,000.

**Approved**

18. a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute a non-standard Professional Agreement with retired annuitant Benjamin Reyes Mandac, M.D., to provide medical services with physician malpractice coverage provided by the County retroactively from April 5, 2025, to April 3, 2026, with a contract limit of \$118,580 for 35% Full Time Equivalent (0.35 FTE) work; and
- b. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to sign up to three future amendments that do not significantly change the scope of services nor add funds to the agreement with a contract limit of \$118,580 for 35% Full Time Equivalent (0.35 FTE) work.

**Approved**

**Department of Social Services**

19. Adopt a resolution to authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to:
- a. Amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to increase appropriations of \$1,511,760 decreasing revenues by \$7,942,762 and increasing an operating transfer "in" of \$9,454,522 for the Social Services Entitlements - Fund 001, Appropriations Unit SOC001 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to provide funding for increased caseload expenditures (4/5ths Vote required);



and

b. Amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to decrease revenues by \$5,000,000 and increase an operating transfer “in” of \$5,000,000 in Social Services Fund 001-SOC005 Adopted Budget to offset revenues that do not arrived by the year-end close of August 31, 2025 (4/5ths Vote required); and

c. Amend the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget to increase appropriations (operating transfer “out”) of \$9,065,211 increase revenues of \$7,065,211 and using fund balance of \$2,000,000 in the Social Services 1991 Health & Welfare Realignment - Fund 025, Appropriation Unit SOC012 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to provide funding for increased CalWORKs, In-Home Supportive Services expenditures, and to offset revenues that do not arrive by the year-end close of August 31, 2025 (4/5ths vote required); and

d. Amend the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget to increase appropriations (operating transfer “out”) of \$5,389,311 increasing revenues of \$2,374,766 and using fund balance of \$3,014,545 in the Social Services 2011 Protective Services Realignment - Fund 022, Appropriation Unit SOC011 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to provide funding for Out of Home Care placement costs and to offset revenues that do not arrive by the year-end close of August 31, 2025 (4/5ths vote required).

#### **Adopted**

#### **General Government**

- 20.** a. Receive and accept the Treasurer’s Report of Investments for the quarter ending June 30, 2025; and
- b. Receive and approve the Treasurer’s Investment Policy for FY 2025-2026; and
- c. Renew the Delegation of Investment Authority to the Treasurer-Tax Collector pursuant to California Government Code Section 53607.

#### **Approved**

- 21.** a. Approve and authorize the Chief Contracts and Procurement Officer or designee to execute Amendment #4 to Agreement No. A-15433 between the County of Monterey and *BetterUp, Inc.* for the purchase of annual subscriptions for coaching sessions and full access to all *BetterUp* Platform features, extending the term of the Agreement through August 31, 2026, or until the last annual subscription expires, and increasing the not-to-exceed amount from \$1,200,000 to \$1,410,000; and
- b. Authorize the Contracts/Purchasing Officer or Contracts/Purchasing Supervisor to sign the initial and any subsequent Order Forms where the Order Forms do not significantly change the scope of work or cause an increase in the not-to-exceed amount.

#### **Approved**

- 22.** Adopt a Resolution to:
- a. Amend Personnel Policies and Practices Resolution (PPPR) No. 98-394 Appendix A and B

to correct the salary ranges of the Child Support Officer I, II & III, Supervising Child Support Officer, and Child Support Performance Specialist effective the date of the base wage adjustment on July 12, 2025, to reflect the correct increase as a result of the appeal process, as indicated in Attachment A; and

- b. Direct the Human Resources Department and the Auditor Controller's Office to implement the changes in the Advantage Human Resources Management (HRM) System.

**Adopted**

23. Approve the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors Draft Action Meeting Minutes for the following meeting date: Tuesday, August 5, 2025.

**Approved**

**Public Works, Facilities and Parks**

24. Adopt a Resolution to authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to transfer \$65,491 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 from General Fund 001, Parks Operations Appropriation Unit PFP058, to Vehicle Replacement Planning Fund 478-VRP, Appropriation Unit PFP068 for two Ranger Vehicles (4/5ths vote required).

**Adopted**

25. Adopt Resolutions for County Service Areas 1, 9, 15, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 37, 38, 41, 44, 45, 47, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56, 58, 62, 66, 68, 72, and 75;
  - a. Certifying compliance with State law with respect to the levying of general and specific taxes, assessments, and property-related fees and charges for the respective County Service Area; and
  - b. Authorizing and directing the Auditor-Controller to enter the amount of the charges against the respective lots or parcels as they appear in the assessment roll for Fiscal Year 2025-26 as described in Exhibit 1 and Exhibit 2 (CSA 45 Oak Hills Subdivision only) of each Resolution.

**Adopted**

26. Adopt a Resolution certifying compliance with State law with respect to the levying of general and specific taxes, assessments, and property-related fees and charges for County Service Area 75 - Chualar.

**Adopted**

**Please refer to the Board Orders for the approved and adopted Agreement, Resolution and Ordinance numbers.**

**Addenda/Supplemental**

27. **Addenda/Supplemental**  
Added subsection d. to Item No. 1 under Closed Session