



County of Monterey

Item No.

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Legistar File Number: RES 25-180

December 09, 2025

Introduced: 12/1/2025

Current Status: General Government -
Consent

Version: 1

Matter Type: BoS Resolution

Adopt a resolution to:

- a. Approve and adopt the New County Distribution, Use, and Reporting of Tickets or Passes Policy for inclusion in the Board Policy Manual; and,
- b. Provide direction to staff as appropriate.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution to:

- a. Approve and adopt the New County Distribution, Use, and Reporting of Tickets or Passes Policy for inclusion in the Board Policy Manual; and,
- b. Provide direction to staff as appropriate.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Generally, County employees and public officials must report tickets or passes to events as gifts if that person did not pay fair market value for the ticket or pass. Fair Political Practices Committee ("FPPC") Regulation section 18944.1 sets forth circumstances when a public agency's distribution of tickets or passes, when no consideration of equal or greater value is provided by the public official or employee, does not result in a gift to the public official or employee. Tickets or passes distributed and accounted for in compliance with this policy and FPPC Regulation 18944.1 will not be considered gifts to the County officials or employees who make use of donated tickets and passes. The public purpose in distributing tickets and passes to Events is to promote County resources, programs and facilities, to monitor and evaluate County venues and County-sponsored events, and to promote cultural, recreational and educational facilities, services and programs available to the public within the County.

This policy is subject to all applicable FPPC Regulations and the Political Reform Act. Nothing in this policy is intended to alter, amend or otherwise affect the obligations of County officials and employees under the Political Reform Act and its implementing regulations or under any County policy or conflict of interest code.

In order to utilize the provisions of Section 18944.1, the County of Monterey must adopt a policy. This policy will require each department to monitor and report ticket or pass distributions to the County Administrative Office. This policy, if approved, is set to be reviewed in December 2035.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of County Counsel has reviewed and approved this action as to form.

FINANCING:

The County Administrative Office manages the Board Policy Manual. Approval of the recommendation will not result in additional general fund contributions.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS:

The Strategic Initiative Policy Areas integrate with the Board Policy Manual Policies.

Mark a check to the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Plan Goals [Include one or two sentences referencing the Ordinance, Code, Board Order/Resolution, etc. in relation to this selection]:

- ☐ Well-Being and Quality of Life
- ☐ Sustainable Infrastructure for the Present and Future
- ☐ Safe and Resilient Communities
- ☐ Diverse and Thriving Economy
- ☐ Dynamic Organization and Employer of Choice

If does not fall under any of the above Board of Supervisors Strategic Plan Goals (Other):

☒ Administrative

Prepared by: Shane Eben Strong, Deputy County Counsel, Ext. 3558

Approved by: Kelly L. Donlon, Chief Assistant County Counsel, Ext. 5313

Attachments:

1. Draft resolution adopting the County Distribution, Use, and Reporting of Tickets or Passes Policy
2. County Distribution, Use, and Reporting of Tickets or Passes Policy