**Board Members** Doug Verboon, District 3, Chairman Craig Pedersen, District 4, Vice Chairman Joe Neves, District 1 Richard Valle, District 2 Richard Fagundes, District 5



<u>Staff</u> Rebecca Campbell, County Administrative Officer Lee Burdick, County Counsel Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board

# **Board of Supervisors**

**Regular Meeting Agenda** 

Date:	Tuesday, March 31, 2020
Time:	9:00 a.m.
Place:	Board of Supervisors Chambers, Kings County Government Center
	1400 W. Lacey Boulevard, Hanford, California 93230

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Ι.	9:00 AM	CALL TO ORDER		
		ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board		
		INVOCATION – Sylvia Gaston – Koinonia Church		
		PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE		
П.		UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES		
		Any person may directly address the Board at this time on any item on the agenda, or on any other items		
		of interest to the public, that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Two (2) minutes are		
		allowed for each item.		
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		that provides property owners with the option to pay secured property taxes in monthly		
		installments.		
		B. Administration – Rebecca Campbell		
		Receive an update on the local emergency in Kings County due to the imminent and proximate		
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		place a matter of business on a future agenda (Gov. Code Section 54954.2a).		
		Board Correspondence		
		Upcoming Events		
		<ul> <li>Information on Future Agenda Items</li> </ul>		
VI.		ADJOURNMENT		
		The next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.		
VII.	10:00 AM	CALIFORNIA PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING		

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS		
April 3	9:00 AM	Kings County Housing Authority Board of Directors Special Meeting Cancelled
April 7	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
April 14	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
April 21	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
April 28	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
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#### I. 9:00 AM <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board INVOCATION – Andrew Cromwell – Koinonia Church PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ALL MEMBERS PRESENT

II. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES

Any person may directly address the Board at this time on any item on the agenda, or on any other items of interest to the public, that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Five (5) minutes are allowed for each item.

Electronic comments were received from Veronica Aguirre and Maribel Ayala expressing concern about material coming into the Avenal landfill from communities known to have positive cases of Covid-19.

# III. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

Approval of the minutes from the March 17, 2020 regular meeting. ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (JN, RF, RV, CP, DV - Aye)

# IV. <u>CONSENT CALENDAR</u>

# A. Behavioral Health Department:

Consider approving the Service Agreement with Kings View Corporation retroactively for Fiscal Years 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 to provide Electronic Health Record System Services. **[Agmt 20-017]** 

# B. Community Development Agency:

- 1. Consider:
  - a. Authorizing the Community Development Agency Director to sign an agreement with Provost and Pritchard Consulting Group for environmental consulting services for the Kings County Fire Station #4 relocation project; and
  - b. Approving the budget change. (4/5 vote required)

# C. Elections Department:

Consider approving a one-year extension two year Agreement with Runbeck Election Services, Inc. for ballot printing and mail services. **[Agmt 20-018]** 

# PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

# ACTION: APPROVED AS AMENDED (RV, JN, CP, RF, DV-Aye)

# D. Fire Department:

- 1. Consider:
  - a. Approving the purchase of a forklift for the Office of Emergency Services from Quinn Lift, Inc; and
  - b. Approving the budget change. (4/5 vote required)
- 2. Consider:
  - a. Approving the purchase of a plotter printer from CDW, LLC; and
  - b. Approving the budget change. (4/5 vote required)

# E. Human Services Agency:

- 1. Consider approving the purchase for replacement of 164 laptops and 99 desktop computers.
- 2. Consider:
  - a. Adopting a Resolution for the Transitional Housing Program; and [Reso 20-018]
  - b. Adopting a Resolution for the Housing Navigator Program; and [Reso 20-019]
  - c. Authorizing the Human Services Agency Director to sign the Allocation Acceptance Applications for the Transitional Housing Program and the Housing Navigator Program.



#### F. Public Works Department:

- 1. Consider:
  - a. Declaring 10 vehicles and 3 truck beds as surplus; and
  - b. Authorizing the Purchasing Manager to sell this surplus equipment at public auction.

#### G. Veterans Services Office:

Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming the week of March 22 – 28, 2020 as Veteran and Military Women's History Week in Kings County. **[Reso 20-020]** 

#### H. Administration:

 Consider adopting a Resolution recognizing March 2019 2020 as Women's History Month in Kings County. [Reso 20-021]
 PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

# ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (JN, CP, RV, RF, DV – Aye)

 Consider authorizing the County Administrative Officer to sign a juvenile delinquency, dependency, and Lanterman–Petris–Short Act conservatorship agreement with Kevin Thompson for legal representation of the indigent accused effective March 23, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

#### ACTION: APPROVED THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS AMENDED (JN, RF, RV, CP, DV - Aye)

#### **REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

V.

VI.

# A. Community Development Agency – Greg Gatzka/Chuck Kinney

Consider providing direction to staff of which potential eligible activities or projects the Board would like staff to pursue for Community Development Block Grant applications.

ACTION: A motion was made to direct staff to apply for the maximum allowed funding for affordable housing projects and the maximum allowable remainder of the funding for curbs, gutters and sidewalk projects in Kettleman City. (RV, Motion failed for lack of a second)

ACTION: A motion was made to direct staff to apply for \$650,000 for curbs, gutters and sidewalk projects in Kettleman City, to apply for \$1.75 million for a Fire Ladder truck for Kettleman City and to apply for the \$1 million for affordable housing projects in the County. (CP, RF, JN, RV, DV- Aye)

# B. Department of Finance – James Erb

- 1. Consider:
  - a. Approving an Amendment to Agreement No. 19-026 with Capital Partnerships, Inc. to increase the compensation and extend the term of the Agreement to December 31, 2020 for the completion of the Finance Enterprise software implementation; and
  - b. Approving the budget change. (4/5 vote required) [Agmt 19-026.1]

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (JN, RF, RV, CP, DV - Aye)

#### C. Administration – Rebecca Campbell

Receive an update on the local emergency in Kings County due to the imminent and proximate threat of exposure of COVID-19 on the residents of the County of Kings and take action as deemed necessary.

#### ACTION: THE BOARD RECEIVED AN UPDATE AND TOOK NO OFFICIAL ACTION

# **BOARD MEMBERS ANNOUNCMENTS OR REPORTS**

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Supervisor Pedersen encouraged everyone to follow social distancing guidelines and thanked staff for everything they are doing for our community.



Supervisor Valle stated that he purchased six COVID-19 tests and will be donating them to the Kings County Public Health Department and implored the community to follow the shelter in place recommendations.

Supervisor Fagundes stated that he has been staying close to home and answering calls and questions from the community. He thanked the Department Heads and staff for their assistance in answering those calls.

Supervisor Neves stated that the Emergency Operations Center has been activated and they are holding teleconference meetings on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and encouraged the Board members to take part in these meetings. He stated that he attended a Local Agency Formation Commission Special meeting on March 18, 2020, participated in the teleconference CalViva meeting on March 19, 2020, and encouraged the public to participate in teleconference meetings happening all over the State to stay informed.

Supervisor Verboon thanked all county staff for their hard work during this time and offered encouragement to the public to stay home and be safe.

- Board Correspondence: Rebecca Campbell stated that the Board received information from the following entities: SEIU 2015 on concerns for In Home Supportive Services workers and patients amid the Covid-19 pandemic, El Dorado Irrigation District notice of intent for 2020 water transfer public hearing, City of Hanford summary of executive order N-33-20 regarding Covid-19, California State Board of Equalization for 30 day extension of time on Assessment Appeals and an update on Covid-19 information from Assemblymember Patterson.
- Upcoming Events: None
- Future Agenda Items: Rebecca Campbell stated that the following items would be on a future agenda: Administration Master Fee Schedule Amendment, Memorandum of Understanding between the California Counties Foundation and the San Joaquin Valley Regional Association of California Counties for fiscal management and event planning registration, State lobbyist contract, JBCT- Jail medical competency program, Human Services Agency Medi-Cal Expansion Grant, Department of Finance –Resolution authorizing Online Easysmartpay for taxpayers, and Public Works Building Automation System Upgrade.

#### VII. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

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#### VIII. 11:00 AM CALIFORNIA PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING CANCELLED

#### IX. 1:30 PM KINGS COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING CANCELLED

X. 2:00 PM KINGS COUNTY IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES BOARD REGULAR MEETING CANCELLED

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# COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

GOVERNMENT CENTER HANFORD, CALIFORNIA 93230 (559) 852-2362 Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

# AGENDA ITEM March 31, 2020

# **<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>**: Department of Finance – James Erb

#### **SUBJECT:**

# RESOLUTION TO USE AND PROMOTE EASYSMARTPAY AS AN OPTION FOR PROPERTY OWNERS TO PAY SECURED PROPERTY TAXES IN MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS

# **SUMMARY:**

# **Overview:**

Under the Revenue and Taxation Code, counties collect property taxes in two equal installments per year. Many property owners pay their property taxes in monthly installments through escrow services provided by the banks that own their mortgages. Property owners who own their property outright, however, lack this option. For some, biannual tax bills instead of monthly tax bills can be a financial hardship or considerable inconvenience. Some property tax owners within the County have voiced frustration to Tax Collection staff about the biannual bill, but the Director of Finance lacks the authority or discretion to offer monthly billing under current law.

# **Recommendation:**

Adopt a Resolution for the use and promotion of EasySmartPay, a third-party service that provides property owners with the option to pay secured property taxes in monthly installments.

# **Fiscal Impact:**

There is no financial impact to the County. Property owners voluntarily enroll in EasySmartPay, and when taxes are due, EasySmartPay remits the total taxes due for enrolled property owners to the County in the same manner used by other banks and financial institutions that interact with the County's property tax system. EasySmartPay charges the property owners for its services. The processing fees are currently set at 2.25% for Credit/Debt Payments, and this rate can be changed at the company's

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BOARD ACTION :

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted

on \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By\_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

# **Agenda Item** RESOLUTION TO USE AND PROMOTE EASYSMARTPAY AS AN OPTION FOR PROPERTY OWNERS TO PAY SECURED PROPERTY TAXES IN MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS March 31, 2020 Page 2 of 2

discretion. By comparison, the County's processing fee for Credit/Debit payments of property taxes is 2.49%. Any fees collected because of using EasySmartPay, in excess of the property taxes due, are retained by EasySmartPay, not the County.

# **BACKGROUND:**

EasySmartPay is a privately held corporation founded in partnership with the California State Association of Counties Financing Corporation (CSAC-FC), with the aim to fill service gaps between government agencies and the public regarding taxes. The EasySmartPay service allows individual property owners to assign (and unassign) their property tax bills to EasySmartPay, which bills them the amount of their property taxes for a fee spread over twelve (12) monthly installments. Paying property taxes in monthly installments is sometimes more convenient for property owners, and has been a regular request the Finance Department has received from residents.

The EasySmartPay service is available to taxpayers throughout the State on an individual basis. Because the service fulfills an expressed constituent need, the Director of Finance seeks Board authorization to provide the service within the County as well as promote EasySmartPay's service to County property owners where appropriate. This may include, but not be limited to, a link on the County's website and flyers or other materials being made available in the Department of Finance's lobby or included with individual property tax statements.

# BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF KINGS TO PROMOTE A SERVICE TO ALLOW TAXPAYERS TO PAY REAL PROPERTY TAXES IN MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS /

Resolution No.

WHEREAS, the Revenue and Taxation Code allows the County of Kings ("County") to collect real property taxes in two installments per year; and

WHEREAS, many real property owners pay their property taxes in monthly installments through escrow accounts with the banks owning their mortgages; and

WHEREAS, property owners who own their property outright do not have the option to pay their real property taxes in monthly installments to the County; and

WHEREAS, for some, paying the biannual property tax bill creates a financial hardship or considerable inconvenience; and

WHEREAS, under current law, the Director of Finance lacks the authority to bill property owners for property taxes in monthly installments; and

WHEREAS, a newly formed corporation, "EasySmartPay" provides property owners a service by which they can pay their property taxes in monthly installments for a fee commensurate with the processing fees currently charged by the County for credit or debit payments of property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the County's constituency has expressed a need for a monthly installment option for the payment of property taxes to the Director of Finance and his staff; and

WHEREAS, allowing and promoting the use of EasySmartPay would not result in any financial benefit to the County; and

WHEREAS, allowing and promoting the use of EasySmartPay on the County's website and with inserts provided at no cost to the County would benefit the County's constituency by satisfying an expressed need.

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# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. The Kings County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of Finance and his designee(s) to allow and promote the use of EasySmartPay as an option for property owners to pay property taxes in monthly installments for a fee commensurate with the County's processing fees for credit and debit payments of property taxes.

The foregoing resolution was adopted upon motion by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_ at a regular meeting held on the \_\_\_\_th day of March 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:SupervisorsNOES:SupervisorsABSENT:SupervisorsABSTAIN:Supervisors

Doug Verboon, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors County of Kings, State of California

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand this \_\_\_\_th day of March 2020.

Clerk of said Board of Supervisors

PL: 301611



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# AGENDA ITEM March 31, 2020

# **<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>:** Administration – Rebecca Campbell

# **<u>SUBJECT:</u>** NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) COUNTY UPDATE

# **SUMMARY:**

#### **Overview:**

On March 4, 2020, the Governor of California proclaimed a State of Emergency throughout California because of the increase in cases reported of the novel coronavirus, a disease now known as COVID-19. The President of the United States likewise declared a national emergency because of the COVID-19 outbreak on March 13, 2020. On March 17, 2020 the Board proclaimed a local emergency in Kings County due to the imminent and proximate threat of exposure of COVID-19 on the residents of the County of Kings.

#### **Recommendation:**

Receive an update on the local emergency in Kings County due to the imminent and proximate threat of exposure of COVID-19 on the residents of the County of Kings and take action as deemed necessary.

# Fiscal Impact:

The fiscal impact to the County is unknown at this time. The County is tracking all of it costs related to the emergency.

# **BACKGROUND:**

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A Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, in December 2019. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) considers the virus to be a very serious public health threat. The exact modes of transmission, the factors facilitating human-to-

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BOARD ACTION :	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED:	OTHER:

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted

on \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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By\_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

# Agenda Item NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) COUNTY UPDATE March 31, 2020 Page 2 of 2

human transmission, the extent of asymptomatic viral shedding, the groups most at risk of serious illness, the attack rate, and the case fatality rate all remain active areas of investigation. The CDC believes at this time that symptoms appear two to fourteen days after exposure. Currently, there is no vaccine or specific antiviral treatment for COVID-19.

County staff has been working diligently to assess and provide resources and information to the community regarding COVID-19. An update will be provided to the Board on County related activities and response.