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Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Action Summary

Date: Tuesday, August 3, 2021
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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COUNTY OF KINGS PUBLIC MEETING PROTOCOL IN RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS COVID-19

California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20 on March 12, 2020 and March 17, 2020, respectively, relating to the convening of public agency meetings in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Board of Supervisors will convene their public meetings via video and teleconference. Pursuant to the Executive Orders, and as advised by local Health Officials, the Kings County Board of Supervisors, County staff and interested members of the public may attend the meeting in person. The meeting can also be attended telephonically or by the Internet by sending an email to bosquestions@co.kings.ca.us on the morning of the meeting for an automated email response with the WebEx meeting information.

Members of the public who wish to only observe the meeting virtually can do so via the worldwide web at:

<https://youtu.be/Yh1jAG6KKnM> or go to www.countyofkings.com and click on the "Join Meeting" link.

Members of the public who wish to comment may submit written comments on any matter within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, regardless of whether it is on the agenda for the Board's consideration or action, and those comments will become part of the administrative record of the meeting. Comments will not be read into the record, only the names of who have submitted comments will be read into the record. Written comments received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors no later than 8:30 a.m. on the morning of the noticed meeting will be included in the record, those comments received after 8:30 a.m. will become part of the record of the next meeting. To submit written comments by email, please forward them to bosquestions@co.kings.ca.us or by U.S. Mail, please forward them to: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Kings, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd., Hanford, CA 93230.

- I. **9:00 AM** **CALL TO ORDER**
ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board
INVOCATION – Pastor Brian Kleinhammer – Kingdom Culture 2.0
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. Two (2) minutes are allowed for each item.

Carlos Tafolla, representative of Valley Voices Community Based Organization, gave an update on the vaccine event held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on August 1, 2021 and stated that his team is here to help the County in the fight against COVID-19.

Dave Robinson, Kings County Sheriff, stated that this morning City of Hanford Fire Personnel were at the Kings County jail due to a squad car fire at the jail sally port and not a fire in the jail. He stated that two personnel were sent to the hospital for smoke inhalation and no other injuries were reported.



Keith Fagundes, Kings County District Attorney, gave an update on recent jury trials his staff have completed.

Josh Cunningham, Kings County Assistant Fire Chief, stated that currently there are 19 County Fire Personnel who are out fighting fires in California and stated that the Department has recently hired the second dozer operator.

III.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Report Out of Closed Session on July 27, 2021.
Larry Spikes stated that the Board took no reportable action in closed session today.
- B. Approval of the minutes from the July 27, 2021 regular meeting.
ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, JN, RV, RF, CP-Aye)

IV.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. **Agriculture Department:**
 - 1. Consider approving the Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture for the County's Bee Safe Program, retroactively effective from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. **[Agmt 21-096]**
- B. **Fire Department:**
 - 1. Consider approving out-of-state travel for Assistant Fire Chief Joshua Cunningham, Battalion Chief Rick Levy, Fire Captain Derek Dominquez, and Fire Captain Ryan Duneheew to attend the International Association of Fire Fighters Fallen Firefighter Memorial Ceremony in Colorado Springs, Colorado from September 16-19, 2021. **ITEM WAS PULLED BY DEPARTMENT**
- C. **Job Training Department:**
 - 1. Consider approving the Standard Agreement with the California Employment Development Department to provide reimbursement to the Job Training Office for the utilization of telephones and associated equipment, retroactively effective from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. **[Agmt 21-097]**
- D. **Probation Department:**
 - 1. Consider approving an Agreement with Champions Recovery Alternative Programs, Inc. for residential substance use treatment and other rehabilitative services, retroactively effective from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. **[21-098]**
- E. **Administration:**
 - 1. Consider denying the Claim for Damages filed by Carlos Robledo.
ACTION: APPROVED AS AMENDED (JN, RF, RV, DV, CP - Aye)

V.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

- A. **Child Support Services – Marie Waite**
 - 1. Consider adopting a Resolution declaring August 2021 as Child Support Awareness Month in Kings County. **[Reso 21-049]**
ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, RF, JN, RV, CP - Aye)
- B. **Human Resources Department –Henie Ring**
 - 1. a. Consider approving the revised job specification for Child Support Assistant; and
b. Approve a salary adjustment of 5 salary ranges (approximately 5%) for the Child Support Assistant classification, from range 145.5 (\$2,555 -\$3,120) to range 150.5 (\$2,687-\$3,278), effective Pay Period 17-2021 (beginning August 9, 2021).
ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (RF, DV, JN, RV, CP - Aye)



C. Public Health Department – Edward Hill/Michelle Bieber/Darcy Pickens

1. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming the month of August 2021 as National Breastfeeding Month in Kings County. **[Reso 21-050]**

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

2. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming August 2021 as Valley Fever Awareness Month in Kings County. **[Reso 21-051]**

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

D. Administration – Larry Spikes/Matthew Boyett

1. a. Review the Kings County Association of Governments response to the Grand Jury report titled Pedestrian Safety in Kettleman City: A Community's Long-Standing Plea for Improvements; and
b. Approve the Kings County Association of Governments response as the Board response to the Grand Jury.

ACTION: AFTER SOME DISCUSSION THE ITEM WAS TABLED AND WILL BE BROUGHT BACK ON A FUTURE AGENDA WITH A LETTER FROM THE COUNTY ADDRESSING DISCUSSED TOPICS

E. Public Health Department – Edward Hill

1. 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.

The Board received an update and no official action was taken.

VI.

STUDY SESSION

A. Public Health Department – Edward Hill/Michelle Bieber

Receive a presentation on the status of Kings County's breastfeeding rates and strategies to improve them.

The Board received an update and no official action was taken.

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B. Administration – Larry Spikes/Kyria Martinez

Study Session on the American Rescue Plan Act funding.

The Board received an update and no official action was taken.

VII.

BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

On their own initiative, Board Members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. They may ask questions for clarification, make a referral to staff or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda (Gov. Code Section 54954.2a).

Supervisor Neves participated in the Kings Waste & Recycling Authority (KWRA) meeting, the Kings Area Rural Transit Agency (KCAPTA) meeting, attended the City of Hanford's 130th anniversary of incorporation events at the Civic Auditorium, attended the American Legion Post Friday breakfast, announced at the Keller Speedway and Lemoore Raceway events and stated that schools will be re-opening next week and traffic patterns have increased and asked everyone to slow down and be safe.



Supervisor Verboon participated in the City of Hanford 130th anniversary of incorporation Car Show and attended the Carnegie Museum re-opening.

Supervisor Valle asked if the Board needed to take action based upon the information reported by the Interim County Administration Officer regarding County employee positive COVID-19 cases increasing. Larry Spikes stated that staff was informing the Board of the current information available on the cases and stated that the Board can take action under the COVID-19 update on the agenda, which will be on the agenda every week for the foreseeable future.

- ◆ **Board Correspondence: Larry Spikes stated that the Board received the following: a meeting notice and agenda from Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board for Friday August 13, 2021 at 9:00 AM, the Lemoore Cemetery District Budget for 2021/2022 and a letter of resignation from James Erb, Director of Finance, effective September 17, 2021.**
- ◆ **Upcoming Events: Larry Spikes stated that the Budget Hearings are set for August 17, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. and August 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., the County Impact Fee public hearing is set for August 17, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. He stated that a Blood Drive will be held on August 18, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and a blood mobile bus will be in the parking lot near Lacey Boulevard known as the old Jury parking lot. He stated that the Hanford 12U All Stars are headed to the World Series, August 7-15, 2021 in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.**
- ◆ **Information on Future Agenda Items: Larry Spikes stated that the following items will be on an upcoming agenda: Administration – MCIP IGT Certification of Voluntary Contributions, agreement with Kings County Commission on Aging FY 2021/2022 General Fund Contribution, Wellpath Jail Medical Contract amendment, Kings County Budget Book County Employee Photo contest winner announcement, public hearing – Health Realignment Fund Transfer, Behavioral Health Department – second amendment to agreement with Aspiranet, agreement with Aegis Treatment Centers for outpatient narcotic treatment program services, agreement with Judge Rotenberg Educational Center for residential treatment program services, agreement with Plumlee’s Board and Care for adult residential care services, Fire Department – Swearing-in ceremony for Penny Saltray, Honorary Firefighter for the Kings County Fire Department, Human Services Agency – agreement with Kings Community Action Organization for Cal-Learn Program Services, Public Health – COVID-19 update, Probation Department – JAG Grant application and Kings Juvenile Center population self-cap adjustment.**

VIII.

CLOSED SESSION

- ◆ **Significant Exposure to Litigation: 1 Case [Govt. Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2)]**
- ◆ **Personnel Matter: [Govt. Code Section 54957]**

Public Employee Appointment: County Administrative Officer

REPORT OUT: Carrie Woolley, Interim County Counsel, stated she did not anticipate any reportable action being taken in closed session today.



IX.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

August 9	9:00 AM	Board of Equalization Regular Meeting
August 10	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
August 10	11:00 AM	California Community Housing Agency Regular Meeting
August 11	8:30 AM	Special Meeting/CAO Interviews
August 17	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting/Budget Hearing
August 18	9:00 AM	Budget Hearing Continued
August 23	9:00 AM	Board of Equalization Regular Meeting
August 24	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
August 30	9:00 AM	Board of Equalization Regular Meeting
August 31	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
August 31	10:00 AM	Third Public Hearing - Redistricting
September 7	-----	Regular Meeting cancelled due to observance of Labor Day on September 6, 2021

Agenda backup information and any public records provided to the Board after the posting of the agenda will be available for the public to review at the Board of Supervisors office, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd, Hanford, for the meeting date listed on this agenda.