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Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting Action Summary

Date: Tuesday, November 9, 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

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- I. **9:00 AM** **CALL TO ORDER**
ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board
INVOCATION –Pastor Mark Curts – Adventist Health
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.
Keith Fagundes, Kings County District Attorney, gave an update on the current trials completed and upcoming trials his staff are working on. He also commended the Board, Administration, and Human Resources for their efforts on Union negotiations.
Scott Holwell, Kings County Veterans Services Officer/Public Guardian stated the following events would be held on Veteran's Day: VFW is holding their 9th Annual Veterans Day Fest at Civic Park from 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m., the American Legion Post 3 in Hanford is holding a dedication at Hanford Cemetery at 10:00 a.m., the City of Corcoran is holding a Rededication of the Corcoran



Veteran's Memorial building at 1:00 p.m., the American Legion Post 101 is holding their annual Veteran's Day Parade at 6:00 p.m. in Lemoore.

Stephen Hernandez Curd, Prosecutor's Association, representative gave an update on cases staff in the District Attorney's Office are handling and asked the Board to invest in their Union for longevity of employees.

Josh Cunningham, Kings County Assistant Fire Chief, introduced their new Executive Secretary Stephani Cervantes and thanked the Human Resources Department for getting the position filled so fast.

David Robinson, Kings County Sheriff, voiced his concerns about the OSHA required mandates for COVID-19 vaccinations for his staff.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for November 2, 2021.

EDWARD HILL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STATED THAT THE BOARD TOOK NO REPORTABLE ACTION IN CLOSED SESSION ON NOVEMBER 2, 2021.

B. Approval of the minutes from the November 2, 2021 regular meeting.

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

C. Approval of the minutes from the November 3, 2021 special meeting.

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

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Behavioral Health:

1. Consider approving the Agreement with Creative Alternatives for short-term residential treatment program services, retroactively effective from May 26, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

[Agmt 21-145]

B. Human Services Agency:

1.
 - a. Consider adopting a Resolution for the Housing Navigator Program authorizing the application for and acceptance of the program allocation; and
 - b. Authorize the Human Services Agency Director to sign the Allocation Acceptance Application for the Housing Navigator Program. **[Reso 21-074]**
2.
 - a. Consider adopting a Resolution for the Transitional Housing Program authorizing the application for and acceptance of the program allocation; and
 - b. Authorize the Human Services Agency Director to sign the Allocation Acceptance Application for the Transitional Housing Program. **[Reso 21-075]**

C. Public Health Department:

1.
 - a. Consider authorizing the Interim Public Health Director to accept the California Department of Public Health Disease Intervention Workforce Development funding allocation;
 - b. Authorize the Interim Public Health Director to sign any associated invoices and revisions to the initial work and spend plan;
 - c. Allocate 1.0 Full-Time Equivalent Program Manager in Budget Unit 411300;
 - d. Allocate 1.0 Full-Time Equivalent Licensed Vocational Nurse in Budget Unit 411300; and
 - e. Adopt the budget change **(4/5 vote required)**
2.
 - a. Consider approving the Agreement with Adventist Health Central Valley Network for a COVID-19 Monoclonal Antibody Therapy Pilot program, retroactively effective from November 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022; and



- b. Authorize the Interim Public Health Director to amend the Agreement as necessary for program implementation without requiring further board approval so long as any amendment is immaterial.[Agmt 21-146]
3. Consider allocating 1.0 Full-Time Equivalent Licensed Vocational Nurse in Budget Unit 419600.

D. Administration:

1. a. Consider approving the Agreement with the Stratford Public Utility District for residential customer utility arrearages; and [Agmt 21-147]
- b. Consider approving the Agreement with the Kettleman City Community Services District for residential customer utility arrearages.[Agmt 21-148]

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

V.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. Human Resources Department – Henie Ring

1. Consider approving the new job specification for Senior Personnel Technician and set the salary at Range 211.0 (\$4,905 - \$5,987).

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

2. Consider authorizing the Human Resources Director and designated staff to sign the successor agreement with the Kings County Probation Officers Association for a term beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2023.[Agmt 21-143]

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

B. Public Health Department – Darcy Pickens/Heather Silva

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.

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 Valle stated that he attended the City of Corcoran and Kings County Firefighter’s presentation of the Lucas CPR device, which was donated by Corcoran District Hospital and stated that there are only two in Kings Counties possession and an additional eight are needed with a cost of approximately \$16,000 each. He asked staff to look into the possibility of purchasing the additional units utilizing American Rescue Plan Act funds. He also voiced his concerns over no news articles in The Hanford Sentinel about the Redistricting Public Hearing and maps being considered by the Board of Supervisors on November 16, 2021 . He stated that the United States Marines Corps 246th Birthday is November 10, 2021 and he introduced two Kings County employees, Domingo Cruz and Ashley Rodriguez as former Marines.

Supervisor Neves stated that he participated in South Fork Kings Ground Water Sustainability Agency special meeting, attended the American Legion Post Friday breakfast, attended the Veterans walk/run, participated in the Paramedic Advisory committee meeting, announced at the Lemoore High School CIF football playoffs, and CIF volleyball championship matches held at West Hills College. He stated that a traffic accident in Stratford recently took out five power poles and residents were without power for several hours.

Supervisor Pedersen stated he took some personal time with family last week.



- ◆ Board Correspondence - **None**
- ◆ Upcoming Events: **Edward Hill** stated the **Battle of the Badges Blood Drive** will be held on **November 22, 2021** in the **Kings County Government Center** parking lot off **Lacey Boulevard** by the **Human Services building** starting at **9:00 a.m.**
- ◆ Information on Future Agenda Items: **Edward Hill** stated that the following items will be on a future agenda: **Administration – Kings County Office of Education** with “**State of the Schools**” annual report, **contract with James Erb for Director of Finance services** and appointments to the **Kings County Homelessness Collaborative**, **Probation Department – application for the Discharge from Accountability for the collection of delinquent court-ordered criminal fines, fees, penalties, assessments and electronic monitoring fees**, **District Attorney’s Office – Advanced step hire for a Deputy District Attorney**, **Sheriff’s Office – Agreement for forensic pathology and autopsy services**, **Human Resources Department – new job specification for Victim/Witness Advocate III** in the **District Attorney’s office** and appointments to the **Personnel Appeals Board**, **Public Health Department – COVID-19 update.**

VII. CLOSED SESSION

- ◆ **Conference with Labor Negotiator/Meet and Confer: [Govt. Code Section 54957.6]**
Negotiators: Edward Hill, Kyria Martinez, Henie Ring, Che Johnson of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
 - Blue Collar - SEIU
 - Prosecutor’s Association
 - Management
 - Firefighter’s Association
- ◆ **Personnel Matter: [Govt. Code Section 54957]**
*Public Employee Appointment: **Public Health Director***
- ◆ **Litigation initiated formally: Title: *Fagundes v. County of Kings, et. al. 21C-0304***
[Govt. Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)]

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

<i>FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS</i>		
November 16	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
November 16	6:30 PM	Fifth Public Hearing - Redistricting
November 23	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
November 30	--	Regular Meeting Canceled/Board members participating in CSAC Annual Meeting
December 7	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
December 7	10:00 AM	Sixth Public Hearing – Redistricting
December 14	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
December 21	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting

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