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Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Action Summary

Date: Tuesday, December 7, 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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10:00 AM - INSTRUCCIONES PARA LA AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA DE REDISTRIBUCIÓN - ESPAÑOL

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I. 9:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board

INVOCATION – Pastor Arthur Fox – New Hope Orthodox Presbyterian 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. Two (2) minutes are allowed for each item.

Edward Hill, County Administrative Officer stated that he attended the California State Association of Counties annual conference and wanted to highlight Kings County Director of Finance Jim Erb was recognized for receiving the Circle of Service award for his work over the years and Domingo Cruz, Administrative Analyst in Administration for graduating and earning his California State Association of Counties Executive credential.

III.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Report Out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for November 23, 2021.

EDWARD HILL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STATED THAT THE BOARD TOOK NO REPORTABLE ACTION IN CLOSED SESSION ON NOVEMBER 23, 2021.

B. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for November 23, 2021.

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

IV.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Agriculture Department:

1. Consider approving the Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture for the County's Asian Citrus Psyllid Detection Program, retroactively effective October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. **AGMT 21-157**

B. Behavioral Health Department:

1. Consider amending the Agreement with JDT for Therapeutic Behavioral and Intensive Home Based Services from November 2021 through June 30, 2024. **AGMT 19-090.1**

C. County Counsel:

1. Consider appointing Matthew O. Gilkey as Director of Division 2 and Erik J. Hansen as Director of Division 5 of the Corcoran Irrigation District for the period of December 3, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. through December 5, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.

D. Fire Department:

1.
 - a. Consider approving the Fire Department to accept the 2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant and the 2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program-American Rescue Plan Act;
 - b. Authorize the County Fire Chief to sign all grant documents; and
 - c. Adopt a Resolution designating the Fire Chief, County Administrative Officer, or Purchasing Manager as authorized signatories for execution of all grant documentation. **RESO 21-079**
2.
 - a. Consider authorizing the Fire Department to accept the Fiscal Year 2021 State Homeland Security Grant Project;
 - b. Authorize the County Fire Chief to sign all grant documents; and
 - c. Adopt a Resolution designating the Fire Chief, County Administrative Officer, or Purchasing Manager as authorized signatories for execution of all grant documentation. **RESO 21-080**

E. Human Services Agency:

1.
 - a. Consider authorizing Human Services Agency to apply for Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention Round 3 grant fund through the Business Consumer Services administered through the Homeless Coordinating and Financial Council; and



- b. Authorize the Human Services Agency Director, or their designee, to submit application and sign necessary grant documents required to secure funds.
2. Consider approving the Agreement with Kings United Way for continued maintenance for the 211 online and mobile application, retroactively effective from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023.

AGMT 21-158

F. Job Training Office:

1. Consider approving the documents to close out the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Subgrant, County Agreement 18-068.

G. Administration:

1. Consider denying the Claim for Damages filed by Matthew Soleimanpour on behalf of Francisco Maciel Ruiz.
2. a. Consider approving substitution of the County's Master Crime Bond for individual public official bonds; and
b. Approve the amounts in the declaration as the amounts required for faithful performance bonds of each elected official.
3. Consider approving the Public Safety Realignment & Post Release Community Supervision 2021 Plan to meet the requirement of Assembly Bill 109.
4. Consider approving the cancellation schedule for the Board of Supervisors' meetings for 2022.
5. Consider authorizing the County Administrative Officer to sign a one-year extension Agreement through December 31, 2022 to retain Paragon Government Relations, Inc. to perform federal legislative advocacy services for Kings County. **AGMT 21-159**

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

V.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. Behavioral Health Department – Lisa Lewis/UnChong Parry

1. a. Consider approving the Kings County Behavioral Health Department to accept the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act Telehealth Expansion Project Funding; and
b. Authorize the Director of Behavioral Health to accept and sign the grant Agreement, including any additional grant documentation.
c. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

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

B. Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney

1. Accept the monthly report of Planning Commission's actions.

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

C. Fire Department – William Lynch

1. a. Consider authorizing the Fire Department to declare one fire utility vehicle, one large spreader, one spreader, one ram (long), and one Maverick tool as surplus;
b. Authorize the Purchasing Manager to sell one fire utility vehicle, one large spreader, one spreader, one ram (long), and one Maverick tool as surplus at public auction;
c. Authorize the Fire Department to donate one power unit, one spreader, one cutter, one ram (large), one ram (short), and one hose reel to the Laton Fire Department; and
d. Authorize the Fire Department to donate one power unit, one cutter, one Maverick tool, and one hose reel to the Hanford Race Track.

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



D. Human Resources – Henie Ring/Melissa Avalos

1. a. In the Sheriff's Office, in Budget Unit 22000 delete 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist I/II allocation and 2.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist III allocations offset by the addition of 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant I/II allocation and 2.0 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant III allocations; in Budget Unit 221200 delete 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist III allocation offset by the addition of 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant III allocation; in Budget Unit 222000 delete 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist III allocation offset by the addition of 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant III; and in Budget Unit 223000 delete 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist I/II allocation offset by the addition of 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant I/II allocation;
- b. In the Probation Department, in Budget Unit 233100 delete .50 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist I/II/III allocation offset by the addition of .50 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant I/II/III allocation; in Budget Unit 233200 delete 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist I/II/III allocation offset by the addition of 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant I/II/III allocation; in Budget Unit 234000 delete 7.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist I/II/III allocations offset by the addition of 7.0 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant I/II/III allocations; in Budget Unit 234800 delete 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist I/II/III allocation offset by the addition of 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant I/II/III allocations;
- c. In the Health Department, Budget Unit 411000 delete 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist I/II/III allocation offset by the addition of 1.0 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant I/II/III allocation;
- d. In the Human Services Agency, Budget Unit 510000 delete 12.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist I/II and 7.0 Full-Time Equivalency Department Specialist III allocations offset by the addition of 12.0 Full-Time Equivalency Office Assistant I/II and Full-Time Equivalency 7.0 Office Assistant III allocations;
- e. Laterally reclassify the Department Specialist I incumbents (M. Carrillo) to Office Assistant I with no change in salary in accordance with Personnel Rule 3022, Lateral;
- f. Laterally reclassify the Department Specialist II incumbents (M. Ash, M. Avila, L. Campos, B. Flores, D. Garcia, N. Gomez, S. Hernandez, V. Kilner-Avila, M. Lamar, V. Quintero, N. Rivera, Y. Rodriguez Alcantar, M. Urquizo, and T. Wilson) to Office Assistant II with no change in salary in accordance with Personnel Rule 3022, Lateral;
- g. Laterally reclassify the Department Specialist III incumbents (K. Alvarez, B. Bravo, C. Calderon, M. Cardenas, E. Cardoza, M. Castillo, J. Curiel, A. Frye, M. Garcia, K. Guevara, D. Miller, L. Puga, J. Rivera, R. Robles, L. Rose, and M. Sanchez) to Office Assistant III with no change in salary in accordance with Personnel Rule 3022, Lateral;
- h. Laterally reclassify any Department Specialist to an Office Assistant hired or promoted to a Department Specialist classification prior to Board approval of this item; and
- i. Inactivate the Department Specialist I, II, III classifications.

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

E. Public Works Department – Dominic Tyburski/Mitchel Cabrera

1. Consider adopting a Resolution authorizing the removal of the stop sign for westbound traffic at the intersection of Grangeville Boulevard and 25th Avenue. **RESO 21-081**

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



F. Sheriff's Department – David Robinson

1. a. Consider allocating 1.0 Full Time Equivalency Detentions Lieutenant position in Budget unit 233000; and
- b. Authorize the advance step for Ramon Collier, Detentions Lieutenant, to Step 3 position at Salary Range 235.5.
- c. Authorize the advance step for Shari Long, Detentions Lieutenant, to Step 4 position at Salary Range 235.5.

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

G. Public Health Department – Darcy Pickens/Heather Silva

1. Consider adopting a Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Health to execute and submit all necessary grant documents to CalRecycle for a Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program. **RESO 21-082**

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

2. 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. 10:00 AM PUBLIC HEARING

Administration – Edward Hill/Kyria Martinez

County Counsel – Diane Freeman

1. a. Conduct the County's sixth public hearing for the County's 2021 supervisorial redistricting process to further introduce and encourage public discussion concerning the redistricting process; and
- b. Consider adopting a new supervisorial district map by Resolution. **RESO 21-083**

SUPERVISOR PEDERSEN OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING, TESTIMONY WAS RECEIVED FROM: HALLIE SPENCE, BARBARA CASTLE, ANTONY LOPEZ, LORI PESANTE, CATHLEEN JORGENSEN, LUPE CHAVEZ, BARBARA HILL, CLAIRE FITIAUSI, RON BATES AND ALVARO PRECIADO AND THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED.

SUPERVISOR VERBOON MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT MAP PUBLIC 113 AND THE MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

SUPERVISOR VALLE ASKED STAFF TO AMEND MAP PUBLIC 101 TO INCLUDE THE STRATFORD COMMUNITY BACK INTO DISTRICT 1 AND STATED THAT THIS WILL NOT CHANGE THE POPULATION NUMBERS AND MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT AMENDED MAP 101 AND THE MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

SUPERVISOR PEDERSEN MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT MAP PUBLIC 120 AND SUPERVISOR VERBOON SECONDED THE MOTION . ACTION: CP, DV, RF-AYE, JN, RV-NO)

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THE RESOLUTION AND STAFF WAS DIRECTED TO BRING THE RESOLUTION BACK FOR ADOPTION ON THE DECEMBER 14, 2021 AGENDA WITH MAP PUBLIC 120 AS AN ATTACHMENT.

10:00 AM PUBLIC HEARING

Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney

1. a. Conduct a public hearing to receive public comments on the proposed density bonus development Agreement; and
- b. Adopt a Resolution, approving entering into a density bonus development Agreement with Spradling Construction Inc.; **RESO 21-084**
- c. Approve the Density Bonus Agreement with Spradling Construction Inc. **AGMT 21-160**

SUPERVISOR PEDERSEN OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING, NO TESTIMONY WAS RECEIVED AND THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED.

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



10:00 AM PUBLIC HEARING

Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney

1. a. Conduct a public hearing to receive public comments on the proposed density bonus development Agreement; and
- b. Adopt a Resolution, approving entering into a density bonus development Agreement with Aspire Homes Ca, Inc.; **RESO 21-085**
- c. Approve the Density Bonus Agreement with Aspire Homes Ca. Inc. **AGMT 21-161**

SUPERVISOR PEDERSEN OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING, NO TESTIMONY WAS RECEIVED AND THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED.

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

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 Verboon stated that he spent time with his family for Thanksgiving and attended the California State Association of Counties annual conference in Monterey.

Supervisor Fagundes stated that he attended the Kings Community Action Organization meeting and attended parades in the County.

Supervisor Neves stated that he attended the Legislative Platform meeting, attended the CalViva Health Public Policy meeting, attended the Kings County Library Lemoore Branch Christmas Open House, attended the Kings County Prevention awards luncheon, attended the West Hills College Christmas celebration, attended the West Hills College mens basketball event, attended the Hanford Lions breakfast with Santa event and attended the West Hills College Christmas Celebration. He stated that Kings Area Public Transit Agency is having free transit month in December and anyone can call 559-584-0101 to utilize the service. He stated that pneumonia vaccines are available and stated that you should talk to your doctor to see if you should get the vaccination.

Supervisor Valle thanked the sponsors for “Operation Gobble” for the 1,000 turkeys donated to the residents of Kings County: Waste Management, California Resources Corporation, Corcoran Prison 1 and Corcoran Prison Substance Abuse Treatment Facility, Tule Trash, Mid Valley Disposal, City of Avenal, Former Assemblymember Nicole Parra and Assemblymember Rudy Salas. He thanked the Catherine Venturella, Clerk to the Board and Diane Badasci, Deputy Clerk of the Board for printing the letters every year for the event and stated that he walked the Avenal Parade and attended the CrisCom Company Christmas reception in Corcoran. He invited the Board members to attend the groundbreaking for the Gateway Park Project on December 10, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

Supervisor Pedersen stated that he attended the California State Association of Counties annual conference in Monterey and stated that this was his third year on the Executive Board and thanked the Kings County Board of Supervisors for allowing him to serve and get the voices of rural counties heard.

The Board took a recess from 9:54 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

- ♦ **Board Correspondence: Edward Hill stated that the Board received a notice and agenda for the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board meeting which will be held virtually on December 9, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and received the Kings County Department of Finance Investment Pool transaction activity report.**



- ◆ Upcoming Events: **Edward Hill** stated that the Kings County Animal Services “Home for the Holidays” open house will be held on December 17, 2021 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. and will be open for adoptions and accepting monetary donations and toys, towels, and blankets. He stated that Kings County Child Support Services is holding their annual Christmas Cozy Feet Slipper Sock Drive to collect skid proof slipper socks to be donated to seniors in Kings County, donations can be dropped off at the Child Support Services or Job Training Offices in Hanford and the deadline to donate is December 15, 2021.
- ◆ Information on Future Agenda Items: **Edward Hill** stated that the following items would be on a future agenda: Administration – Assembly Bill 1869 annual allocations and Ninth amendment to tolling and waiver agreement with Department of Water Resources, Assessor/Clerk/Recorder – Agreement with Trepp Inc. for deed transfer verification software, Behavioral Health – Advanced step hire request, County Counsel – Tulare Lake Reclamation District No. 761 Conflict-of-Interest Code, Appointment of Directors to the Corcoran Irrigation District, Department of Finance – Statement of Investment Policy and Delegation of Investment authority to the Director of Finance, Fire Department – Declaration and sale of surplus equipment and donation of equipment, Health Department – COVID 19 Update and a Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant, Immunization grant Amendment with the California Department of Public Health and COVID-19 update, Human Resources – County Service Awards Presentation, Job Training Office – Agreement with Adventist Health for training services, Public Works – Increase to capitol improvement project budget and the purchase of patrol vehicles and Sheriff’s Office – Agreement with California Department of Parks and Recreation and accompanying resolution.

VIII.

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
 - Prosecutor’s Association
- ◆ **Personnel Matter: [Govt. Code Section 54957]**
Public Employee Appointment: Ag Commissioner
- ◆ **Personnel Matter: [Govt. Code Section 54957]**
Public Employee Appointment: Director of Finance

IX.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 14, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

December 14	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
December 21	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
January 4, 2022	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting – Board Reorganization
January 11, 2022	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting

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.