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Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting Action Summary

Date: Tuesday, May 23, 2023
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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- I. 9:00 AM **CALL TO ORDER**
 - ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board
 - INVOCATION – Pastor Andrew Cromwell – Koinonia Church
 - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 - ALL MEMBERS PRESENT



II. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION – Kyria Martinez/Julieta Martinez

Presentation to the Employee of the 1st Quarter of 2023.

Carrie Ortiz, Senior Employment and Training Technician with the Job Training Office was the recipient of the Employee of the 1st Quarter of 2023.

III. 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.

Alex Walker, Lemoore Rotary representative thanked the Behavioral Health staff for presenting information on Mental Health Awareness resources available to the residents of Kings County and thanked Supervisor Verboon for speaking at the monthly meeting to discuss flooding issues. He stated that the County could use the LinkedIn program for job postings and stated that he was appreciative of the dual language media notifications.

Brandon Sanders, Pacific Gas and Electric liaison gave an update on incident management in the lake bottom area over the past seven weeks. He stated that current there are 135 points of service affected and no safety incidents with PG & E staff during the process of removing the submerged electrical equipment.

David Robinson, Kings County Sheriff gave an update on the meeting with Senator Hurtado on flooding in the lake bottom and stated that Department of Water delivering information on the present elevation. He stated that he attended a meeting with J.G. Boswell company officials, and they shared their current water measurements and predictions for flood levels for the upcoming months. He discussed possible options for the local emergency order section #3 regarding public access in private areas and trespassing enforcement issues.

Sarah Hacker, Kings County District Attorney thanked the Sheriff for mitigating the flood issues the County is experiencing. She stated that she received a resignation from a Deputy District Attorney and stated that she does not have the staff to cover the assignments, so she has been diverting time from administration to prosecute cases. She stated that she has met with Administration staff to discuss options for recruitment issues and hopes the Board is receptive to some of the suggestions. She stated that the salary survey being completed in December 2023 is too long to wait.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for May 16, 2023.

REPORT OUT: Diane Freeman, County Counsel stated that the Board took no reportable action in closed session at their May 16, 2023 meeting.

B. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for May 16, 2023.

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

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Community Development Agency:

1. a. Consider authorizing the purchase of a new plotter, disposal of the old plotter;
- b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

B. Fire Department:

1. a. Consider approving the purchase of nine thermal imaging cameras and six in-truck chargers;
- b. Authorize the Purchasing Manager to sign the purchase order;
- c. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**



- C. Public Health Department:**
 - 1. Consider re-appointing six members of the Commission to two-year terms as indicated in the Kings County Ambulance Commission By-Laws.
- D. Public Works Department:**
 - 1. Consider accepting the dedication for In-Lieu Parcel Map 22-14 (Richard E. Cody, Joyce E. Cody) into the County Maintained Mileage.
- E. Sheriff's Office:**
 - 1. a. Consider approving the purchase of two Unmanned Aerial System Drones and Accessories;
 - b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**
- F. Administration:**
 - 1. Consider denying the Claim for Damages filed by Victoria Espitia Solorio.
 - 2. Consider denying the Claim for Damages filed by Maria Elena Romero.
 - 3. Consider denying the Claim for Damages filed by Jacoby & Meyers, LLP on behalf of Isaac Ernesto through Ana Merlos (legal guardian).
 - 4. Consider denying the Claim for Damages filed by the Law Office of Arash Khorsani on behalf of Rebecca Althea Rather, Matthew Rather, Makennah Paige Rather and Steven Scott Rather.

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

VI.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. Behavioral Health Department – Lisa Lewis/Katie Arnst

- 1. a. Consider adopting a Resolution supporting and promoting the Kings County Sober Graduation Program; **[RESO 23-038]**
- b. Authorize Behavioral Health to provide funds to the Sober Graduation Program in the cities of Avenal, Corcoran, Hanford, & Lemoore.

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

B. Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney/Noelle Tomlinson

- 1. Consider approving the Memorandum of Understanding with Kings County Association of Governments, effective May 23, 2023 through December 31, 2024, to administer the Regional Early Action Planning Program funds for the multi-jurisdictional 2024-2032 Housing Element Update. **[AGMT 23-045]**

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

- 2. Consider approving the Agreement with the City of Avenal, City of Corcoran, City of Hanford, and City of Lemoore for cooperation on the multijurisdictional 2024-2032 Housing Element Update, effective May 23, 2023 until the final adoption of the multijurisdictional 2024-2032 Housing Element Update is complete. **[AGMT 23-046]**

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

- 3. Consider approving the Agreement with Realty Planners Group, Inc. for services in preparing the multijurisdictional 2024-2032 Housing Element Update, effective May 23, 2023 until final adoption of the multijurisdictional 2024-2032 Housing Element Update is complete. **[AGMT 23-047]**

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

- 4. Consider accepting the monthly report of Planning Commission's actions.

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

C. Administration – Kyria Martinez/Matthew Boyett

- 1. Consider directing staff as to the County's response to the Bureau of Indian Affairs notification seeking comment regarding any potential impacts to County operations under the proposed trust land acquisition.

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



VII. 10:00 AM PUBLIC HEARING

A. Administration – Kyría Martínez/Matthew Boyett

1. a. Conduct a public hearing regarding the County’s Master Fee Schedule Biennial update;
- b. Introduce and waive the first reading of Ordinance #520.24 governing the County’s Master Fee Schedule. **[ORD 520.24]**

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

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED AND WAIVE THE FIRST READING (DV, RF, JN, RR, RV-Aye)

VIII. 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 stated that he continues to engage in flooding related issues, attended the Housing Authority of Kings County meeting, attended the Peace Officer Memorial, attended the Kings County blood drive where 29 donations were received, attended the CalViva Finance meeting, attended the South Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Act meeting, attended a Stratford levee meeting, attended his granddaughters graduation from Fresno State University, attended the Laton Lions fundraiser dinner and attended the Stratford Portuguese event.

Supervisor Verboon stated that he attended the Housing Authority of Kings County meeting, was a speaker at the Lemoore Rotary meeting, attended the San Joaquin Powers Authority meeting and attended the Kings Guild fundraiser for Valley Children’s Hospital event.

Supervisor Robinson stated that he attended the Housing Authority of Kings County meeting, attended the Peace Officers Memorial event, attended the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District meeting and attended the Kings Guild fundraiser for Valley Children’s Hospital event.

Supervisor Valle stated that he attended the Peace Officers Memorial event, attended the Latino Caucus conference in San Diego, thanked Public Works staff for helping with the recent vandalism at the Home Garden park and thanked County staff for their help in organizing the Town Hall meeting in Corcoran on flooding issues.

- ♦ **Board Correspondence: Kyría Martínez stated that the Board received a Summary of Proposal from Kings County Association of Governments on behalf of applicant, Self-Help Enterprises on May 17, 2023.**
- ♦ **Upcoming Events: Kyría Martínez stated that the Kings County Commission on Aging is hosting its 5th annual Senior Health Fair on Friday, May 26, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Hanford Civic Auditorium. Kings Partnership will be hosting a Mental Health Matters event on Saturday, May 27, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Gateway Park located at 500 Otis Avenue in Corcoran. The Carnegie Museum of Kings County will host its Vendor Fair on Saturday, June 3, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Hanford Civic Auditorium Park. The Kings Lions Club will be hosting their 2023 Brewfest on Saturday, June 3, 2023 from 5:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. at their Kings Lions Complex located at 652 S. 19th Avenue in Lemoore. The City of Avenal will host its Spring Cleanup 2023 on Saturday, June 3, 2023 and June 10, 2023, from 7:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. at the Avenal landfill, allowable at no charge to dump are mattresses, sofas/furniture; household trash; green yard waste; metal waste; used motor oil (up to 5 gallons); and construction debris, Hazardous materials are not allowed. The County will hold the grand opening of the newly remodeled Kings Building on August 30, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**
- ♦ **Information on Future Agenda Items: Kyría Martínez stated that the following items would be on a future agenda: Administration -Public Hearing and Second Reading of the Ordinance – Master Fee Schedule Biennial Update and Amendments to Compass Health Administrators and Blue**



Shield Agreements; Human Services Agency - Increase to In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority fiscal year 2022-2023 budget and Resolution to proclaim June 2023 as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month; Information Technology - Central Square Technical Support Services Renewal Order for Finance Enterprise; Library -Infrastructure Grant Awards; Probation - Purchase of Generation 3 Glock 22-23 .40 CAL Duty Firearms; Public Health – Memorandum of Understanding with Central California Food Bank Diaper Distribution Program Partnership and an Advanced Step Hire; Public Works – Special event request by Kings County Sheriff’s Posse for exclusive access and use of Burris Park and Special event request for girl scouts of Central California for use of Burris Park.

IX. CLOSED SESSION

- ◆ **Conference with Labor Negotiator/Meet and Confer: [Govt. Code Section 54957.6]**
Negotiators: Kyria Martinez, Carolyn Leist, Che Johnson of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore
 - General Unit - CLOCEA
 - Supervisor’s Unit - CLOCEA
 - Blue Collar - SEIU
 - Detention Deputy’s Association
 - Firefighter’s Association
 - Deputy Sheriff’s Association
 - Probation Officer’s Association
 - Prosecutor’s Association
 - Unrepresented Management
- ◆ **Significant exposure to litigation: (1 Case)**
[Govt. Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2)(e)(2)]
Threat to litigation from El Rico Groundwater Sustainability Agency
- ◆ **Conference with Real Property Negotiator: (1 Case)**
[Govt. Code Section 54956.8]
Property: Avenal Courthouse 501 E. Kings Street Avenal, CA 93204
Negotiation Parties: Kyria Martinez/Dominic Tyburski

X. ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting for May 29-30, 2023 has been canceled due to Memorial Day Holiday on May 28-29, 2023. The Board will hold a Special meeting on Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. and on Monday, June 5, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

XI. 11:00 AM IN HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PUBLIC AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

May 24, 25, 26	9:00 AM	Board of Equalization – Leprino Foods Company Hearing
May 30	-	Regular Meeting Canceled due to Memorial Day Holiday on May 29, 2023
May 31	10:00 AM	Special Meeting - Public Employee Appointment – Chief Probation Officer
June 5	8:30 AM	Special Meeting - Public Employee Appointment – County Administrative Officer
June 6	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
June 13	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
June 20	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting

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