

**Board Members**

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Richard Fagundes, District 5



**Staff**

Kyria Martinez, County Administrative Officer  
Diane Freeman, County Counsel  
Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board

## **Board of Supervisors**

### **Regular Meeting Action Summary**

**Date:** Tuesday, June 20, 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 Tim Brown – First 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.*

**Miguel Ramirez, Southern California Gas Company representative, stated that the company is committed to helping the community through the Stomp out Hunger program conducted through the National Association of Letter Carriers aimed at helping anyone experiencing food insecurities and those that rely on food donations and the company has committed to donating \$4 million dollars to 61 local charities. He stated that the company also has a program available to anyone having difficulty paying their bill and they can apply through their Gas Assistance Fund (GAF) for up to \$500 in assistance if they meet the qualifications, the information about the programs outlined today can be found at [www.socalgas.com](http://www.socalgas.com).**

**Sarah Hacker, Kings County District Attorney gave an update on the current cases her office must prosecute and the status of current and ongoing recruitments. She asked the Board to look at alternatives to entice applicants to come to work for Kings County as well as long term solutions to allow her to hire attorneys.**

**Richard Valle, Supervisor District 2, Chairman shared a YouTube video on the Groundbreaking ceremony for the 5 Pillars of Freedom Veteran's Memorial at Gateway Park in Corcoran and asked staff to share the video on social media. He thanked Domingo and Tess Cruz for providing photos of the event and the City of Corcoran for providing the YouTube video.**

## III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**A. Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for June 13, 2023.**

**REPORT OUT: Diane Freeman, County Counsel stated that the Board took no reportable action in closed session at their June 13, 2023 meeting.**

**B. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for June 13, 2023.**

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

## IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

### **A. Behavioral Health Department:**

1. a. Consider approving the amendment to Agreement No. 21-168 with California Health Collaborative for Substance Use Disorder Prevention Services effective upon execution through June 30, 2026; **[AGMT 21-168.1]**
- b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**
2. Consider approving the first amendment to Agreement No. 21-122 with Plumlee's Board and Care for residential board and care services effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025. **[AGMT 21-122.1]**
3. Consider approving the second amendment to the Agreement with Kings View Professional Services to provide Electronic Health Record System services effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. **[AGMT 21-044.2]**

### **B. County Counsel:**

1. Consider renewing the Declaration of a local emergency due to flood conditions in Kings County. **[RESO 23-044]**

### **C. District Attorney's Office:**

1. a. Consider authorizing the District Attorney's Office to submit and sign the grant application for the performance period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 for the Victim Witness Assistance Program;
- b. Approve the Grant Subaward Certificate of Assurance of Compliance for the Victim Witness Assistance Program. **[AGMT 23-053]**



**D. Public Health Department:**

1. Consider approving an amendment to the Agreement with Doctor Milton Teske, to continue providing services as Health Officer/Tuberculosis Controller/Registrar of Births and Deaths for Kings County for six months, effective July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, with an option for an additional six-month extension, effective January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024.  
**[AGMT 22-076.1]**
2. Consider approving the California Department of Public Health Office of AIDS Agreement 20-10134 for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027.  
**[AGMT 23-054]**
3. Consider authorizing the advance step hire of Keith Jahnke as an Environmental Health Officer IV, Extra Help at Salary Range 227.0, Step 5.

**E. Administration:**

1. a. Consider approving the Agreement with Compass Health Administrators for administrative services for the County's health plan effective July 1, 2023 with automatic renewal each year unless modified, amended or terminated. **[AGMT 23-055]**  
b. Approve the confidentiality Agreement with Blue Shield for implementation of shared advantage services. **[AGMT 23-056]**
2. Consider approving the fourth amendment to the Agreement with Innovative Claim Solutions for Workers' Compensation services effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.  
**[AGMT 15-057.4]**
3. Consider approving the Statement of Work with Ernst and Young for State Water Project professional auditing services effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

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

**V.**

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. Behavioral Health Department – Lisa Lewis/Katie Arnst**

1. a. Consider approving the first amendment to the Agreement with Champions Recovery Alternative Programs, Incorporated for substance use disorder outpatient and residential treatment services, retroactively effective from July 1, 2022 through September 30, 2024; **[AGMT 22-178.1]**  
b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

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

2. Consider approving the first amendment to the Agreement with Mental Health System, Incorporated for Assertive Community Treatment Full-Service Partnership services retroactively effective from July 1, 2022 through September 30, 2024. **[AGMT 22-170.1]**

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

**B. Department of Finance – Erik Gonzalez/Rob Knudson**

1. Consider authorizing the Finance Director to make necessary budget transfers after final numbers are available, prior to the closing of the County Ledgers. **(4/5 vote required)**

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

2. Consider approving a Resolution establishing the appropriation limits for Fiscal Year 2023-24.  
**[RESO 23-042]**

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

**C. District Attorney's Office – Sarah Hacker**

1. Consider temporarily suspending Personnel Rule 13051 for the District Attorney's Office only and authorize the District Attorney to hire qualified prospective Deputy District Attorney I/II/III/IV's up to step 5, without requiring County Administrative Officer or Board approval through June 1, 2024.



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

**D. Human Resources Department – Carolyn Leist**

1. Consider adopting a Resolution establishing a change in hours to the public for departments to allow public contact/appointment times between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to noon on Friday effective June 26, 2023 through September 3, 2023. **[RESO 23-043]**

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

**E. Public Works Department – Dominic Tyburski/Mitchel Cabrera**

1. a. Consider approving the Plans and Specifications for the 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Tulare Lake Canal Bridge Replacement project;
- b. Authorize the Public Works Department to advertise the project.

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

2. a. Consider approving the Plans and Specifications for the Bridge Preventative Maintenance Program – Phase II;
- b. Authorize the Public Works Department to advertise the project.

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

**F. Administration – Kyria Martinez/Matthew Boyett**

1. a. Consider approving the reserve allocation from Fund 7019 in the amount of \$109,198 for the operation and maintenance expenses at the Kettleman City Community Services District Surface Water Treatment Plant;
- b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

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

2. a. Consider adopting the Fiscal Year 2023-24 recommended budget as presented;
- b. Schedule final budget hearings to commence Tuesday, August 8, 2023 in the Board Chambers at 10:00 a.m.

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

**VI. 10:00 AM PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. Department of Finance – Erik Gonzalez/Rob Knudson**

1. a. Conduct a Public Hearing to introduce an Ordinance establishing the booking fee rate for Fiscal Year 2023-24;
- b. Waive the first reading of the Ordinance. **[ORD 709]**

**SUPERVISOR VALLE OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING, NO TESTIMONY WAS RECEIVED AND THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED. ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED AND WAIVED THE FIRST READING (DV, JN, RR, RV-Aye, RF-Absent)**

**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 stated that he continues to engage in flood related issues, he stated that the Board and staff need to discuss options for recreational use before the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday along the Kings River due to volume levels being at irrigation demand only, he attended the Housing Authority of Kings County meeting, attended the Kings Federal Credit Union meeting, cooked for the World Elder Abuse breakfast hosted the Kings County Commission on Aging where approximately 250 people were served, attended the South Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Act meeting and the American Legion breakfast.**



Supervisor Fagundes stated that he attended the Housing Authority of Kings County meeting, cooked for the World Elder Abuse breakfast hosted the Kings County Commission on Aging which was a good event and discussed the fire at the Kings Waste & Recycling Authority on June 19, 2023.

Supervisor Verboon stated that he attended the Kings Fair press conference where the California Department of Food and Agriculture Secretary, Michael Flores announced the first round of resiliency funding and the award of \$3.5 million dollars for the Kings County Fairgrounds. He stated that he was a speaker for the Kings County Water Town Hall hosted by the Kings County Democrats at the Hanford Civic Auditorium.

Supervisor Robinson stated that he attended the Housing Authority of Kings County meeting, served for the World Elder Abuse breakfast hosted the Kings County Commission on Aging, attended the Kings Fair press conference where the California Department of Food and Agriculture Secretary, Michael Flores announced the first round of resiliency funding and the award of \$3.5 million dollars for the Kings County Fairgrounds and attended the fair.

- ◆ Board Correspondence: None
- ◆ Upcoming Events: Kyria Martinez stated that the Children’s Storybook Garden & Museum will host for Cooking 4 Kids classes on June 21, 2023 and June 28, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. The cost is \$60 for Grades K-5<sup>th</sup>, must be pre-registered and space is limited to 20 students. The Kings County Library will be hosting Reptile Ron Animal Presentations on Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the Hanford Civic Auditorium. The City of Hanford hosts a Free Fitness Court Class every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. -10:00 a.m. (rain or shine). The next will be on June 24, 2023 at Hidden Valley Park at 2150 N. 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Hanford. There will be Kings County Employee Blood Drive will be on Thursday, July 13, 2023 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. buses will be here on campus in the parking lot closest to the old Sheriff’s office parking; across from the Old Jury Parking Lot. Walk-ups are welcome; however, for faster registration, we recommend scheduling online. We still have slots open . Save the date for the ribbon cutting of the Kings Building on August 30, 2023 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- ◆ Information on Future Agenda Items: Kyria Martinez stated that the following items would be on the following agenda: Administration - Defense of the Accused contracts, Wellpath third amendment, Capital Partnership first amendment, Agreement with Kings County Commission on Aging Fiscal Year 2023-2024 General Fund Contribution and appointments to Multiple Boards and Commissions; Assessor/Clerk-Recorder -amendment to Ordinance for tax assessment for property damaged by calamity; Behavioral Health Administration - Resolution with iHeart Radio for advertising and Agreements with: Relias LLC, Judge Rotenburg Educational Center Inc., WestCare California, Devonderia Sanchez, Precision Psychiatry Inc., Kings View, Aspiranet, California Health Facilities Financing Authority, and the Superior Court of California, County of Kings; Community Development Agency - Williamson Act and Farmland Security Zone re-enrollment application for Castanea Project, LLC and Farmland Security Zone re-enrollment application for Westlands Solar Blue Owner, LLC. ; Department of Finance -Establish Booking Fees for FY 2023-2024; Fire Department - Agreement for Fire Services with the City of Avenal and purchase of two type 1 fire apparatus; Human Resources Department - Agreement for Employment Relations Consortium with Liebert, Cassidy, Whitmore; Human Services Agency - Agreement with Kings Community Action Organization for Cal-Learn Program Services, Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program round four grant application;; Agreement with Community-Based Organizations to provide Medi-Cal application and Retention Services and Agreement Renewal with Kings United Way for Mobile Application and Maintenance; Public Health Department – Agreement with Fresno Pacific University Internship; Public Works Department - Kings County Fire Station 5 amendment, Kings County Fire Station 4 amendment, Lease with United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency for Agriculture building space, Avenal cut-off roadway improvement phase project; Highway safety improvement



program cycle 10 systemic flashing beacons project, traffic paint purchase, asphaltic emulsion purchase for county road projects, special event request by Kings County Sheriff's Posse for exclusive access and use of Burris Park and Probation Department – Pretrial services funding Senate Bill 129.

**VIII. CLOSED SESSION**

*Pulled*

- ◆ **Personnel Exemption: 1 Case [Govt Code Section 54957]  
Public Employee – Discipline/Dismissal/Release  
The item was pulled by County Counsel.**
- ◆ **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

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

**X. 11:00 AM CALIFORNIA PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING**

***FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS***

June 27	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
July 4	-	Regular Meeting Canceled due to Independence Day Holiday
July 11	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
July 11	2:00 PM	Regular Meeting – Board of Equalization
July 18	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting

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