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## **Board of Supervisors**

### **Regular Meeting Action Summary**

**Date:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024  
**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 Chad Fagundes – Koinonia Church  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



**MEMBERS PRESENT: JOE NEVES, RUSTY ROBINSON, DOUG VERBOON**  
**MEMBERS ABSENT: RICHARD VALLE, RICHARD FAGUNDES**

**II. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES**

*Any person may directly address the Board at this time on any item on the agenda, or on any other item of interest to the public, that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Two (2) minutes are allowed for each item.*

**Duane Cooper, Public Works Department Road Superintendent stated that his staff is unhappy with the current salary study and proposed negotiations offer and stated that the employees are worried for their jobs and salaries, and he hopes the Board does the right thing for all employees.**

**Anissa Borges, Congressman Valadao intern introduced herself to the Board and stated that she is job shadowing today.**

**Kristi Lee, Assessor/Clerk-Recorder stated that she is here today to discuss the issues with inequities on the salary survey and relating to the job duties of staff in her office.**

**Sarah Hacker, Kings County District Attorney stated that she was here to speak on behalf of the employees who come to work to serve the community and to make the county a better place and stated that she is asking for dignity for the employees who are constantly on call and putting in overtime in every department with more compensation.**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for July 16, 2024.**

**REPORT OUT: Diane Freeman, County Counsel stated the Board took no reportable action in closed session at their July 16, 2024 meeting.**

**B. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for July 16, 2024.**

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

**IV. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. County Counsel:**

1. Consider approving the Agreement with West Publishing Corporation to provide legal research resources effective upon West Publishing Corporation's processing of the agreement for a term of three years. **[AGMT 24-133]**

**B. Human Services Agency:**

1. a. Consider approving the Agreement with Fresno Pacific University for employee social work program internship placement in the Human Services Agency effective July 23, 2024 through July 22, 2028; **[AGMT 24-134]**
- b. Approve the Agreement with Fresno Pacific University for non-employee social work program student internship placement in the Human Services Agency effective July 23, 2024 through July 22, 2028. **[AGMT 24-135]**

**C. Public Health Department:**

1. Consider approving the Agreement with Bakersfield College to provide student internship placements in the Kings County Department of Public Health effective upon execution for a term of one year. **[AGMT 24-136]**

**D. Public Works Department:**

1. a. Consider approving the Plans and Specifications for the Kings County Roadway Safety Sign Audit Project;
- b. Authorize the Public Works Department to advertise the project.



**E. Sheriff's Department:**

1. Consider approving an Agreement with Motorola Solutions for the upgrade and maintenance of dispatch radio consoles retroactively effective from July 23, 2024 through July 23, 2028. **[AGMT 24-137]**

**F. Administration/Board of Supervisors:**

1. Consider approving seven reappointments to multiple boards.
2. a. Consider approving the reserve allocation from Fund 7019 in the amount of \$120,295 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)**

**ITEM F.2.A & B WERE PULLED AND WILL BE BROUGHT BACK ON A FUTURE AGENDA**

**ACTION: APPROVED AS AMENDED (JN, RR, DV – Aye, RV, RF – Absent)**

**V.**

**REGULAR CALENDAR**

**A. Behavioral Health – Lisa Lewis/Christi Lupkes**

1. Consider approving the Agreement with Aspiranet to provide Family Urgent Response System services retroactively effective from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. **[AGMT 24-138]**

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

**B. Probation Department – Leonard Bakker/Mandeep Bhangoo**

1. Consider adopting a Resolution designating July 21 – 27, 2024 as Probation Services Week. **[RESO 24-042]**

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

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

1. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming July 21 – 27, 2024 as Americans with Disabilities Act Week in Kings County. **[RESO 24-043]**

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

2. a. Consider approving the right of way purchase Agreements with Ruben S. Thorbus and Linda M. Thorbus, Mary Donita Hansen, and Monica A. Barcenas for the purchase of additional right-of-way for the 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Houston Avenue signalization project;
- b. Approve the grant deed certificates of acceptance with Ruben S. Thorbus and Linda M. Thorbus, Mary Donita Hansen, and Monica A. Barcenas for the purchase of additional right-of-way for the 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Houston Avenue signalization project.

**[AGMT 24-139] [AGMT 24-140] [AGMT 24-141]**

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

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

**A. Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney/Alex Hernandez**

1. a. Conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed Density Bonus Development Agreement with Aspire Homes CA, Inc. for low-income housing units in Vesting Tentative Tract No. 936;
- b. Adopt a Resolution approving entering into a Density Bonus Development Agreement with Aspire Homes CA, Inc. for low-income housing units in Vesting Tentative Tract No. 936;
- c. Approve the Density Bonus Agreement with Aspire Homes CA, Inc. for low-income housing units in Vesting Tentative Tract No. 936.

**Supervisor Verboon opened the Public Hearing, no testimony was received, and the Public Hearing was closed.**

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



**10:00 AM PUBLIC HEARING**

**B. Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney/Noelle Tomlinson**

1. a. Conduct a Public Hearing to consider authorizing an Alcoholic Beverage Control license for a convenience store at 27574 Bernard Drive in Kettleman City;
- b. Consider making a determination of Public Convenience or Necessity;
- c. Authorize the Kings County Community Development Agency Director to sign the associated Alcoholic Beverage Control forms.

**Supervisor Verboon opened the Public Hearing, no testimony was received, and the Public Hearing was closed.**

**ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (JN, RR, DV – Aye, RV, 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 the Kings County Employee Health Center is currently conducting their wellness draw for employees on the Health Insurance plan, presented at the Hanford Chamber of Commerce Public Safety luncheon where 14 people were recognized, attended the CalViva meeting, attended the South Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency meeting and congratulated the Hanford Babe Ruth tournament teams.**

**Supervisor Robinson stated that he attended the going away event for Megan Vega from Administration and Sarah Poots from Administration 15 minutes of fame presentation.**

**Supervisor Verboon stated that he attended the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority meeting and the San Joaquin Railway Corridor meeting.**

- ◆ **Board Correspondence: Kyria Martinez stated the Board received a Resolution No. 2024-21 to authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds from the Tulare Joint Union High School District Board of Trustees on July 16, 2024.**
- ◆ **Upcoming Events: Behavioral Health will host its Veteran’s Support Group, tonight Tuesday, July 23, 2024 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Hall in Hanford. The Kings County Library will host Reptile Ron this week at various branch libraries. He will be at the Kettleman Branch today at 2:30 p.m.; tomorrow he will be at the Lemoore Civic at 11:00 a.m.; and at the Stratford Branch library at 2:30 p.m. Finally, Reptile Ron will conclude the week on Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the Hanford Branch Library and 1:00 p.m. at the Armona Branch Library. Department of Child Support Services will host a Kids Day event to celebrate Child Support Awareness Month on Thursday, August 1, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at 312 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Hanford. This outreach event is for families in our community.**
- ◆ **Information on Future Agenda Items: Kyria Martinez stated the following items would be on a future agenda: Administration – Equipment use Agreement, and Claim for Damages for O’Hara Law; Behavioral Health – Agreement with Generations Health Care of Anberry LLC, and Agreement with Kings Community Action Organization for Behavioral Health Bridge Housing Program; Child Support Services – Resolution proclaiming August 2024 as Child Support Awareness Month; Public Health Department – Central California Food Bank Diaper Distribution**



**Program Partnership, Second Amendment to the Heluna Health Epidemiology Memorandum of Understanding, and Advance Step Hire for Epidemiologist; Public Works – Avenal Cutoff Roadway Improvements Phase I Project, and Kings County Public Health Building 3 Fire Damage Restoration.**

The Board took recess from 9:34 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

**VIII. CLOSED SESSION**

- ◆ **Significant exposure to litigation: (1Case)**  
**[Govt Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2)(e)(1)]**
- ◆ **Conference with Labor Negotiator: [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
- ◆ **Deciding to initiate litigation: (1 Case) [Govt. Code Section 54956.9 (d)(4)]**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 30, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

***FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS***

July 30	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
August 6	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
August 13	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
August 13	2:00 PM	Board of Equalization Regular Meeting
August 20	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
August 27	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting

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