

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2026**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 4

**SUBJECT: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY
CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES REGARDING
LITIGATION AUTHORIZATION FOR COUNTY COUNSEL (6/25/2026
first reading, 8/18/2026 second reading unless ordinance is
modified on second reading) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On March 24, 2026 (19), the Board of Supervisors (Board) directed County Counsel and the Chief Administrative Officer to establish a Consumer Fairness and Public Protection (CFPP) Unit within the Office of County Counsel. Part of that Board direction included amending Section 142 of the County Code of Administrative Ordinances to provide standing authority for the Office of County Counsel to bring certain consumer protection lawsuits on behalf of the County of San Diego (County) and its residents. The proposed ordinance makes those amendments along with related amendments regarding lawsuits to enforce County lease provisions.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

On June 25, 2026:

1. Approve the introduction of the Ordinance (first reading): AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES REGARDING LITIGATION AUTHORIZATION FOR COUNTY COUNSEL

If, on June 25, 2026, the Board takes action as recommended, then, on August 18, 2026:

1. Consider and adopt (unless ordinance is modified on second reading): AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES REGARDING LITIGATION AUTHORIZATION FOR COUNTY COUNSEL

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This recommendation protects all residents, including those that have suffered discrimination or disenfranchisement. The recommendation fulfills Board of Supervisors direction to establish the Consumer Fairness and Public Protection (CFPP) Unit, which strengthens the County of San Diego's ability to pursue proactive litigation against corporations and entities that harm residents through illegal, deceptive, or predatory practices.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This recommendation supports the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goal #2 by providing access to County services to promote equity, transparency, and community trust. Overall, the ordinance supports equity and community trust. This recommended action facilitates certain consumer protection lawsuits that protect residents and communities suffering environmental harm.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to amend an ordinance. There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years are required.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Lawson-Remer, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, and took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on August 18, 2026.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe

NOES: Desmond

State of California)
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter