

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2026, 9:00 AM AND WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2026, 9:00 AM
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER
BOARD CHAMBER, ROOM 310
1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

GENERAL LEGISLATIVE SESSION
TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2026, 9:00 AM

Order Of Business

- A. REGULAR SESSION: Meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

PRESENT: Supervisors Monica Montgomery Steppe, Vice-Chair; Paloma Aguirre, Chair Pro Tem; Joel Anderson; Jim Desmond; also, Andrew Potter, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer, Chair, participated remotely during the continuation of the General Legislative Session on May 20, 2026 for items 24, 25, 31, and 32.

- B. Invocation was led by Reverend Marshela Salgado-Solorio of San Diego United Youth Collective.

- C. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Paul Forney.

- D. Presentations or Announcement of Proclamations and Awards:

Vice-Chair Monica Montgomery Steppe presented a proclamation declaring the Month of May 2026, to be Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander (AANHPI) Month throughout the County of San Diego.

Vice-Chair Monica Montgomery Steppe and Supervisor Joel Anderson presented a proclamation declaring the Month of May 2026, to be ALS Awareness Month throughout the County of San Diego.

Chair Pro Tem Paloma Aguirre and Supervisor Joel Anderson presented a proclamation declaring the Week of May 17-23, 2026, to be Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week throughout the County of San Diego.

Chair Pro Tem Paloma Aguirre presented a proclamation declaring May 19, 2026, to be Mothers with a Message Day throughout the County of San Diego.

Supervisor Jim Desmond presented a proclamation declaring May 19, 2026, to be Casa de Amparo Day throughout the County of San Diego.

- E. Non-Agenda Public Communication: Individuals can address the Board on topics within its jurisdiction that are not on the agenda. According to the Board's Rules of Procedure, each person may speak at only one Non-Agenda Public Communication session per meeting. Speakers can choose to speak during either the General Legislative or Land Use Legislative Session.
- F. Approval of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the sessions of May 5, 2026 and May 6, 2026, and minutes for concurrent Special District meeting of the San Diego County Fire Protection District for May 5, 2026.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Aguirre, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors approved the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the sessions of May 5, 2026 and May 6, 2026; and, minutes for concurrent Special District meetings of the San Diego County Fire Protection District of May 5, 2026.

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

- G. Consent Agenda
- H. Discussion Items
- I. Time Certain: 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 20, 2026
 Item 35: INITIATE TRANSITION OF SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY (ACADEMY) AND CONTINUE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TO IDENTIFY FEASIBLE AND SUSTAINABLE OPTIONS FOR THE FUTURE OF THE ACADEMY
- J. Board Member Committee Updates. This is an opportunity for Members of the Board to provide informational updates on their committee assignments. No action may be taken.
- K. Recess to Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at 9:00 AM for the Land Use Legislative Session

Board of Supervisors' Agenda Items

Category	#	Subject
Public Safety	1.	DISTRICT ATTORNEY - GRANT APPLICATIONS, ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS AND RESOLUTIONS FOR INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAMS
	2.	SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR DENTAL SERVICES AT DETENTION FACILITIES
	3.	SHERIFF - RATIFY ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS FROM THE EAST COUNTY POSSE AND THE SAN DIEGO HONORARY DEPUTY SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION

4. SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS FOR NATIONAL AND REGIONAL BRAND NAME ITEMS
5. SHERIFF - ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 1, DIVISION 1, CHAPTER 1 AND TITLE 2, DIVISION 1, CHAPTER 11 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO LICENSES REQUIRED FROM THE SHERIFF (05/19/2026 - first reading; 06/09/2026 - second reading unless ordinance is modified on second reading)
6. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
SHERIFF - ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III SECTION 66.1 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RELATING TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE (05/05/2026 - first reading; 05/19/2026 - second reading unless ordinance is modified on second reading)
7. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: ADOPT ORDINANCES RELATED TO FEES AND RATES FOR COUNTY FIRE AND MEDICAL EXAMINER EFFECTIVE FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 (05/05/26 - FIRST READING; 05/19/26 - SECOND READING UNLESS ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING)
8. AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FUTURE OF PUBLIC HEALTH FUNDING ALLOCATION
9. AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL (IST) DIVERSION AND COMMUNITY-BASED RESTORATION PROGRAM AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT GRANT FUNDS; ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO PARTICIPATION IN IST INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT; AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT TO ESTABLISH CONTRACTS FOR IST SERVICES; AND AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF GROWTH CAP PENALTY FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS
10. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
APPROVE AN ORDINANCE ADDING AND AMENDING PROVISIONS IN ARTICLE XV-B OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FEES AND CHARGES

Health and
Human Services

Financial and
General
Government

11. RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS JUNE 2026 MEETING CALENDAR
12. AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE AND AWARD CONTRACTS VIA CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK, PROGRESSIVE DESIGN BUILD, DESIGN BUILD, AND JOB ORDER CONTRACTING DELIVERY METHODS
13. GENERAL SERVICES - APPROVAL OF LEASE AMENDMENT AT 1095 BAY BOULEVARD, APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE OF NEW SPACE FOR THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND CEQA EXEMPTION
14. ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE AND ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION RELATED TO TENTATIVE AGREEMENT PENDING RATIFICATION FOR THE EMPLOYEE BARGAINING UNITS - DI AND DM REPRESENTED BY DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATORS' ASSOCIATION (5/19/2026- First Reading; 6/9/2026- Second Reading, unless the ordinance is modified on second reading)
15. ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE AND ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION RELATED TO ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS AND THE RATIFIED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE EMPLOYEE BARGAINING UNIT - PO REPRESENTED BY SAN DIEGO COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION (5/19/2026- First Reading; 6/9/2026- Second Reading, unless the ordinance is modified on second reading)
16. APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE OBLIGATIONS BY THE CALIFORNIA ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF CARDIFF ORTHODOX HOUSING FOUNDATION AND/OR A SUCCESSOR ENTITY IN AN AGGREGATE MAXIMUM STATED PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000
17. APPROVING AN INCREASE IN THE ISSUANCE OF EXEMPT FACILITY BONDS BY THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY BY THE AGGREGATE OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000,000 (INCREASED FROM \$40,000,000) TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE A QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL KNOWN AS 707 BY VINTAGE APARTMENT PROJECT
18. APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY REVENUE BONDS, (FLYLAND HOLDINGS LLC OBLIGATED GROUP) SERIES 2026 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE RADAR RECOVERY CENTER PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$77,000,000

	19.	APPROVAL OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODES: VARIOUS AGENCIES
	20.	ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM: SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING: REVISIONS TO FINANCE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT GROUP FEES AND RATES RELATING TO REGISTRAR OF VOTERS, CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL BY ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION (5/5/2026- First Reading; 5/19/2026- Second Reading, unless the ordinance is modified on second reading)
	21.	APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS
	22.	COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED
Public Safety	23.	NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 448.1 TO ARTICLE XXV OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND SECTION 21.1901 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO SHERIFF'S OFFICE FEES
Financial and General Government	24.	MODERNIZING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHARTER TO STRENGTHEN TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT
	25.	ADOPTING A REVISED RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ENTITLED "A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, MODERN COUNTY GOVERNMENT" AND AMENDING THE ORDINANCE MODERNIZING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHARTER TO STRENGTHEN TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT
Health and Human Services	26.	SUPPORTING SAN DIEGO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES THROUGH BRIDGE FUNDING FOR HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (4 VOTES)
Financial and General Government	27.	STANDING UP FOR SAN DIEGO'S RESEARCH AND INNOVATION ECONOMY BY SUPPORTING SB 895
Health and Human Services	28.	A NEW HEALTHCARE PARTNERSHIP TO DELIVER HOMELESS SERVICES AND SAVE MILLIONS IN COUNTY TAXPAYER DOLLARS

Financial and General Government	29.	STRENGTHENING WAGE THEFT ENFORCEMENT TO RECOVER STOLEN WAGES AND PROTECT WORKING FAMILIES
	30.	ADDRESSING HOUSING NEEDS FOR TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH EXITING FOSTER CARE
	31.	FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 THIRD QUARTER OPERATIONAL PLAN STATUS REPORT, BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS, AND AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH FEEDING SAN DIEGO (4 VOTES)
	32.	AUTHORIZE ACTIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT PRIOR BOARD DIRECTION ON UNLOCKED RESERVE FUNDS: AWARD AND AMEND GRANTS AND CONTRACTS, INCLUDING AUTHORIZATION OF A-87 EXEMPTION TO COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT TO APPROVE SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT WITH CITY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Health and Human Services	33.	AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF BOND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS, WAIVE BOARD POLICY B-29, AND AUTHORIZE UNSPENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IMPACT FUNDS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WELLNESS CAMPUS
Financial and General Government	34.	CONSIDER A POLICY FOR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEES
Health and Human Services	35.	INITIATE TRANSITION OF SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY (ACADEMY) AND CONTINUE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TO IDENTIFY FEASIBLE AND SUSTAINABLE OPTIONS FOR THE FUTURE OF THE ACADEMY
Closed Session	36.	CLOSED SESSION
Public Communication	37.	NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

1. SUBJECT: DISTRICT ATTORNEY - GRANT APPLICATIONS, ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS AND RESOLUTIONS FOR INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAMS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The District Attorney's Office works to proactively investigate and prosecute insurance fraud and workplace justice crimes, deter potential defrauders and enhance public awareness of crimes, including insurance fraud, wage theft, tax evasion, and labor trafficking. These efforts ultimately lead to a reduction in the insurance premiums for consumers, lower workers' compensation rates for employers, ensure that injured workers receive the benefits they are entitled to collect, and protect workers in the County. The District Attorney's Office has long leveraged grant funding resources to support the operation of its Insurance Fraud and Workplace Justice programs. These programs have been consistently recognized for their excellence.

If approved, today's actions will authorize the District Attorney to apply for and accept five grants from the California Department of Insurance for an estimated amount of \$16.1 million: Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program (\$10.3 million), Automobile Insurance Fraud Program (\$2.5 million), Organized Automobile Fraud Activity Interdiction Program (\$1.8 million), Disability and Healthcare Insurance Fraud Program (\$1.2 million) and Life and Annuity Consumer Protection Program (\$0.3 million); waive Board Policy B-29 for non-reimbursable indirect costs, and adopt Fiscal Year 2026-2027 resolutions. The performance period is July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

Today's actions will also authorize the District Attorney to apply for and accept grant funding for the five grant programs from the California Department of Insurance in subsequent years, provided there are no material changes to the grant terms and funding levels.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)
DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

1. Authorize the District Attorney to apply for and accept grant funds in the estimated amount of \$16.1 million from the California Department of Insurance for the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program (\$10.3 million), Automobile Insurance Fraud Program (\$2.5 million), Organized Automobile Fraud Activity Interdiction Program (\$1.8 million), Disability and Healthcare Insurance Fraud Program (\$1.2 million), and Life and Annuity Consumer Protection Program (\$0.3 million) for the performance period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, and apply for and accept grant funds in subsequent years, provided there are no material changes to the grant terms or funding level.
2. Adopt a resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM.
3. Adopt a resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO THE AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM.

4. Adopt a resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO THE ORGANIZED AUTOMOBILE FRAUD ACTIVITY INTERDICTION PROGRAM
5. Adopt a resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO THE DISABILITY AND HEALTHCARE INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM
6. Adopt a resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO THE LIFE AND ANNUITY CONSUMER PROTECTION PROGRAM
7. Authorize the District Attorney, and/or designee, to review and execute all required or related grant documents from the California Department of Insurance for the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program, including agreements for the financial administration and distribution of funds where necessary to carry out the purposes of the program, and any annual extensions, amendments, and/or revisions that do not materially impact either the program or funding levels of the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program, Automobile Insurance Fraud Program, Organized Automobile Fraud Activity Interdiction Program, Disability and Healthcare Insurance Fraud Program, and Life and Annuity Consumer Protection Program.
8. Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery which requires full cost recovery for grants and to the extent it requires separate applications for authority to apply for and accept grants.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The District Attorney's Office is constitutionally responsible for the investigation and prosecution of all criminal violations of state law and county ordinances. The Insurance Fraud and Workplace Justice Division specializes in prosecuting wage theft, tax evasion, labor trafficking, and crimes where misrepresentations are made to unlawfully obtain insurance benefits in several areas including auto insurance, workers' compensation, disability and healthcare, and life insurance. To prevent fraud and protect community members, the District Attorney's Office is committed to engaging all San Diego communities in education and awareness campaigns to avoid fraudulent activities. Proactive strategies are deployed with the goal of promoting equal access to antifraud and workers' rights information, which is presented at local community meetings, published in diverse neighborhood newspapers, displayed on billboards and transit stops, circulated in social media platforms and broadcasted on television to ensure information is accessible and equitably distributed countywide. Combatting insurance fraud ensures fairness and equity in insurance premiums paid by community members, including consumers and small businesses. Fighting wage theft, tax evasion, labor trafficking, and related crimes safeguards the rights of all San Diego County workers, especially those who are members of vulnerable populations. The District Attorney's Office has long leveraged grant funding resources to support the operation of its Insurance Fraud and Workplace Justice programs.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action contributes to the County of San Diego's sustainability goals of protecting the health and well-being of San Diego communities, fostering an equitable business climate,

safeguarding workers' rights, and supporting workforce development. The Insurance Fraud and Workplace Justice Programs engage all of San Diego's communities in education and awareness of insurance fraud, wage theft, and related crimes and proactively investigates and prosecutes those offenses. This includes educating the community, including vulnerable populations, about their rights in the workplace, workers' compensation fraud crimes, wage theft, labor trafficking, and tax evasion. The District Attorney's Insurance Fraud Programs also protect an equitable business climate by supporting compliance with insurance, employment, and tax laws. It reduces car thefts, staged accident rings, and car repair shop fraud. It shields our senior population from financial abuse by prosecuting fraudulent life insurance and annuities scams. Finally, by prosecuting medical provider fraud, including doctors, dentists, chiropractors, and others in a position of trust, the Insurance Fraud Program protects San Diego County citizens from being exploited for kickbacks, having unnecessary procedures performed on them, and being overbilled for life-sustaining services. The Insurance Fraud and Workplace Justice Programs' efforts have ultimately led to a reduction in the amount of insurance fraud committed in the County of San Diego while ensuring the health and well-being of our citizens and fostering an inclusive business environment.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Years 2026-28 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the District Attorney's Office. If approved and awarded, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$17.1 million. The funding sources are an estimated \$16.1 million from the California Department of Insurance, and an estimated \$1.0 million of existing General Purpose Revenue for non-reimbursable indirect costs. A waiver of Board Policy B-29 is requested because the funding only partially covers indirect costs. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended on Consent, and adopted the following:

Resolution No. 26-041, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM;

Resolution No. 26-042, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO THE AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM;

Resolution No. 26-043, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO THE ORGANIZED AUTOMOBILE FRAUD ACTIVITY INTERDICTION PROGRAM;

Resolution No. 26-044, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO THE DISABILITY AND HEALTHCARE INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM; and,

Resolution No. 26-045, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO RELATING TO THE LIFE AND ANNUITY CONSUMER PROTECTION PROGRAM.

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

2. **SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR DENTAL SERVICES AT DETENTION FACILITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The San Diego Sheriff's Office (Sheriff's Office) provides comprehensive health care services, including dental care, to incarcerated persons in custody at the Sheriff's detention facilities as required by Title 15 of the California Code of Regulations. As the incarcerated population needs have changed in complexity, the current dental service model is no longer sufficient to meet demand for timely, restorative, and specialty care. In particular, the absence of on-site or off-site contracted endodontic services, the specialty of treating conditions such as tooth pain, pulp inflammation and infections caused deep decay, trauma or repeated dental procedures, has resulted in preventable dental emergencies, tooth loss, and increased off-site transports that impact facility operations and patient outcomes. In recent years, the Sheriff's Office has enhanced its level of medical and mental health care services to meet the dynamic needs of the populations served and legal obligations, therefore overall medical services have increased to address complex diagnoses and the fundamental shift of health service delivery from ad-hoc acute care services in an ambulatory setting to comprehensive, preventive, and chronic care services in a structured institutional environment.

To address these trends, the Sheriff's Office is seeking to expand the existing onsite patient access to dental health care and to enhance care by including specialty endodontic care. This enhancement would optimize oral health outcomes for the patient population by providing access to tooth restorative services for higher acuity cases and help to preserve natural teeth. The endodontic specialists will be made available to the patient population through contracted providers on-site and through specialty service referrals to providers in the community for more complex cases. Providing these services will improve the overall oral health and well-being of the patient population. The proposed solicitation would expand access to on-site dental care, add specialty endodontic treatment for higher-acuity cases, and strengthen the overall continuum of oral health services available to individuals in custody. These improvements support better health outcomes, reduce operational and legal risk, and align with Medi-Cal reimbursement opportunities under CalAIM for eligible individuals.

Today's action requests the Board of Supervisors to authorize a competitive solicitation for dental services for the incarcerated population in the Sheriff's Office's custody for one year, with four option years, and a six-month extension if needed and to amend the contract as required to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Sheriff's Office.

RECOMMENDATION SHERIFF

In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation for dental services for the incarcerated population in the Sheriff's Office's custody, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for an initial term of one year, with four one-year option periods, and an additional six-month extension, if needed, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to service requirements and funding, subject to approval of the San Diego Sheriff's Office.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Healthy People 2030 define a health disparity as a “particular type of health difference that is closely linked with social, economic, and/or environmental disadvantage.” Health disparities adversely affect groups of people who have systematically experienced greater obstacles to health care based on their racial or ethnic group and other characteristics historically linked to discrimination or exclusion. This request for a Medi-Cal-enrolled dental service provider builds greater health equity for our incarcerated population. It gives incarcerated people access to high quality and affordable dental services while in custody, providing them with more adequate medical care. The San Diego Sheriff's Office is dedicated to advancing health equity outcomes for incarcerated persons and having an on-site dental provider allows timely and effective clinical engagement.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Most individuals in the carceral environment have experienced, or continue to experience, notable health disparities. Having continued onsite dental care and an on-site endodontic provider supports the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal to provide just and equitable access. Advancing health care equity outcomes mean ensuring that everyone has a fair and just opportunity to be as healthy as possible and has ready access to medical and behavioral care with proximity to clinical services.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2026-27 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the San Diego Sheriff's Office (Sheriff's Office). If approved, the estimated annual cost for the initial year of the contract is \$3,835,207 in Fiscal Year 2026-27. The funding source is General Purpose Revenue. Funds for the option year costs will be included in future years Operational Plans for the Sheriff's Office if the option years are exercised. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

3. **SUBJECT: SHERIFF - RATIFY ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS FROM THE EAST COUNTY POSSE AND THE SAN DIEGO HONORARY DEPUTY SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

County of San Diego Administrative Code Article III, Section 66 Acceptance of Gifts and Board of Supervisors Policy A-112, Acceptance and Use of Gifts and Donations, provide a process for accepting gifts by the administrative heads of each department in the County, subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors. This is a request to ratify the acceptance of donations to the San Diego Sheriff's Office (Sheriff's Office) totaling \$568,673, of which \$5,000 is from the East County Posse for gift cards and \$563,673 in cash, equipment, canines, services and warranties is from the San Diego Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association (HDSA). The East County Posse is a philanthropic organization dedicated to helping East County residents in need and the HDSA is a group of local business and community leaders that provide support to the Sheriff's Office.

RECOMMENDATIONS

SHERIFF

1. In accordance with County of San Diego Administrative Code Article III, Section 66 Acceptance of Gifts and Board of Supervisors Policy A-112, Acceptance and Use of Gifts and Donations, ratify the acceptance of gift cards valued at \$5,000 from the East County Posse and cash, equipment, canines, services and warranties valued at \$563,673 from the San Diego Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association for the San Diego Sheriff's Office.
2. Authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign letters of appreciation on behalf of the Board of Supervisors and the County of San Diego to the East County Posse and the San Diego Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Public safety success results from well-trained, well-equipped, and healthy personnel creating positive partnerships with our community. The donations from the East County Posse and the San Diego Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association support San Diego Sheriff's Office personnel and programs. These donations help support our employees from diverse backgrounds and identities by giving them resources and opportunities to provide quality services and participate in morale boosting community events. The acceptance and use of these donations demonstrate our commitment to enhance both employee and community wellness and engagement. The goal of the San Diego Sheriff's Rise Above Youth Program is to reach all San Diego County communities. Participants and their families include members of our Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) community. By helping the San Diego Sheriff's Office enrich career technical education programs for the incarcerated population with equipment and tools, there is a higher likelihood of successful reentry through employment pathways.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action to receive donations in support of employee wellness, morale, and safety with equipment, furniture and supplies, contributes to the County of San Diego's Sustainability goal of providing just and equitable access. Having clean and damage free furniture and office space creates an environment for healthy and positive personnel. Caring for the work environment of San Diego Sheriff's Office (Sheriff's Office) employees supports compassion in our personnel, which assists with building trust and partnerships with our communities. By

providing support, the East County Posse and the San Diego Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association are both helping the Sheriff's Office with furthering the County's Sustainability goal of protecting the health and wellbeing of everyone in the region. The Rise Above Youth Program invigorates our staff, increases stakeholder engagement, breeds community participation, and enhances community awareness of the threat of substance abuse and gang involvement.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no current year fiscal impact associated with today's request to ratify the acceptance of donations totaling \$568,673 from the East County Posse (\$5,000) and the San Diego Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association (\$563,673). Future ongoing costs associated with the canines including, but not limited to, food and veterinary care, will be included in future Operational Plans for the San Diego Sheriff's Office. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

**4. SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE
COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS FOR NATIONAL AND REGIONAL
BRAND NAME ITEMS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The State of California Penal Code (PC) 4025 (a) allows for the Sheriff's Office (Sheriff) of each county to establish, maintain and operate a store in connection with the county jail, and for this purpose, may purchase various snacks, beverages and personal care items for sale to incarcerated individuals in the jail.

On July 9, 2019 (1), the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved the Sheriff's request for a single source contract through December 31, 2021, of national and regional brand name items not exclusive to a particular vendor for snacks, beverages and personal care items from manufacturers, dealers and distributors. This helped increase the brand name items available as products are discontinued, and new items are added or made available in the marketplace. On November 16, 2021 (4), the Board approved the Sheriff's request for continued authority to procure brand name items through competitive solicitations.

Today's request is for authorization to issue competitive solicitations for national and regional brand names not exclusive to a particular vendor for snacks, beverages, and personal care items from manufacturers, dealers, and distributors. This approval will allow Sheriff's Commissary to reprocure their ten current commissary contracts that are scheduled to expire December 31, 2026. The national and regional brand name items will be included with additional generic items

in a competitive solicitation to determine fair and reasonable pricing. This request is for one initial year and four option years, with an additional six-month option if needed, from the date of the contract issuance.

RECOMMENDATION

SHERIFF

In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue competitive solicitations for the acquisition of national and regional brand name snacks, beverages and personal care items, and subject to successful negotiations and a determination of a fair and reasonable price, award one or more contracts for up to one initial year, plus up to four option years, with an additional six-month option if needed, and to amend the contracts as needed to reflect changes to requirements and funding. In no event shall any contract awarded pursuant to this authority extend beyond December 31, 2032.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

By providing the requested name brand items to incarcerated individuals for purchase from the Jail Commissary, incarcerated individuals are being provided access and opportunity within the detention facilities to continue using products and trusted brands they are accustomed to using. This supports incarcerated individuals' well-being while in custody. This action also supports the overall wellness of the incarcerated population because we are providing products that they enjoy and this enhances comfort and reduces stress.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's action supports the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal of providing just and equitable access by providing products that are high-quality and familiar to those in custody. This provision offers a sense of normalcy and sustained product availability. Allowing incarcerated individuals, the ability to select brand name products, supports the incarcerated individual's sense of control and dignity while in a detention setting.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2026-27 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Office. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$4,290,000 in Fiscal Year 2026-27. The funding source is revenue from the Sheriff's Office Jail Stores Enterprise Fund. Funds for the option year costs will be included in future years Operational Plans for the Sheriff's Office if the option years are exercised. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

5. **SUBJECT: SHERIFF - ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 1, DIVISION 1, CHAPTER 1 AND TITLE 2, DIVISION 1, CHAPTER 11 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO LICENSES REQUIRED FROM THE SHERIFF (05/19/2026 - first reading; 06/09/2026 - second reading unless ordinance is modified on second reading) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The San Diego County Sheriff's Office (Sheriff's Office) seeks to update provisions of the County's Code of Regulatory Ordinances to remove outdated regulations and reflect current law and practices. Since the State of California now oversees the regulation of massage professionals and massage schools through the California Massage Therapy Council (CAMTC), the Sheriff's Office no longer issues local permits for massage establishments, massage technicians, or bathhouses. The Sheriff's Office is proposing to delete old license categories and remove unused sections of the Code, including provisions related to bathhouses, holistic health practitioners, massage technicians, and the distribution of merchandise coupons.

Today's item requests that the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) review and approve the introduction of an ordinance (first reading) relating to bathhouses, holistic health practitioners, massage technicians, and the merchandise coupon program. The ordinance will be introduced on May 19, 2026, and, if the Board takes action as recommended, the ordinance will be scheduled for adoption on June 9, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SHERIFF

On May 19, 2026:

1. Approve the introduction of Ordinance (first reading):
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 1, DIVISION 1, CHAPTER 1 AND TITLE 2, DIVISION 1, CHAPTER 11 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATED TO LICENSES REQUIRED FROM THE SHERIFF.

If, on May 19, 2026, the Board takes action as recommended, then, on June 9, 2026:

1. Consider and adopt (unless ordinance is modified on second reading):
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 1, DIVISION 1, CHAPTER 1 AND TITLE 2, DIVISION 1, CHAPTER 11 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATED TO LICENSES REQUIRED FROM THE SHERIFF.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

County departments are guided by County Regulatory Codes in how they serve the region and customers consistently and equitably. Outside of regular sunset reviews, departments will seek to amend County codes to keep documents up to date and provide clarifying language. This amendment updates the code provision to be in alignment with current County practices.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This action to review County Regulatory Code aligns with the goal to promote opportunities for community engagement and supports the sustainability of governmental practices and services. The update proposed in today's action are meant to ensure that practices outlined in County codes are up to date, reflect current processes, and are needed to sustain services and responsibilities to the region.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the proposal to remove provisions within the County Regulatory Code. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended on Consent, and took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on June 9, 2026.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

6. **SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:**
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
SHERIFF - ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III
SECTION 66.1 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE
CODE, RELATING TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE (05/05/2026 - first
reading; 05/19/2026 - second reading unless ordinance is modified on
second reading) (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On May 5, 2026 (2), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on May 19, 2026.

Today's item requests that the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) review and approve the introduction of an ordinance relating to Administrative Code Article III, Section 66.1 General Rules, Sheriff's Asset Forfeiture Program. The proposed revision is for the addition of the following: "as well as asset forfeiture shared funds from other law enforcement agencies." This mirrors the same language found in Sections 66.2 District Attorney Asset Forfeiture Program and 66.4 Chief Probation Officer Forfeiture Program. Asset forfeiture programs offer counties significant benefits by providing a mechanism to disrupt, dismantle, and deter criminal enterprises, particularly drug trafficking and white-collar crime, by seizing illicit proceeds and tools. These funds support law enforcement and public safety efforts by enabling the purchase of equipment and supporting training without increasing the need for general purpose revenue.

Today's actions seek Board approval for the amendment to Administrative Code Article III, Section 66.1 General Rules - Sheriff's Asset Forfeiture Program and approve the introduction of ordinance (first reading) to amend the Administrative Code with the corresponding change. If the Board takes action as recommended on May 5, 2026, then the ordinance will be scheduled for adoption on May 19, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SHERIFF

Consider and adopt (unless ordinance is modified on second reading):

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III SECTION 66.1 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RELATING TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

County of San Diego (County) departments are guided by Administrative Codes to serve the region and customers consistently and equitably. Outside of regular sunset reviews, departments will seek to amend County codes to keep documents up to date and provide clarifying language. This amendment updates the Administrative Code provision to be in alignment with current County practices.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The action to review and amend the County of San Diego (County) Administrative Code aligns with the goal to promote opportunities for community engagement and supports the sustainability of governmental practices and services. The update to the Administrative Code in today's action is meant to ensure that practices outlined in County codes are up to date, reflect current processes, and are needed to continue services and responsibilities to the region.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no net fiscal impact associated with the proposal to amend the Administrative Code Article III, Section 66.1. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Ordinance No. 10993 (N.S), entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III SEC. 66.1 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RELATING TO SHERIFF'S OFFICE.**

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

7. **SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: ADOPT ORDINANCES RELATED
TO FEES AND RATES FOR COUNTY FIRE AND MEDICAL
EXAMINER EFFECTIVE FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 (05/05/26 - FIRST
READING; 05/19/26 - SECOND READING UNLESS ORDINANCE IS
MODIFIED ON SECOND READING) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On May 5, 2026 (09), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinances on May 19, 2026.

Two County of San Diego (County) Public Safety departments, San Diego County Fire (County Fire) and the Department of the Medical Examiner (Medical Examiner) recently conducted a review of fees and rates to ensure compliance with Board Policy B-29 *Fees, Grants, and Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery* (Board Policy B-29), which requires County departments to recover the costs of providing services to agencies or individuals. As a result, both departments are proposing actions that support the cost of providing services, while ensuring fair and equitable fees for customers and the public.

County Fire, which includes Fire Marshal services, Emergency Medical Services Office (County EMS), acting as the Board of Supervisors (Board) designated Local EMS Agency (LEMSA), and County Service Area 17 (CSA 17) ambulance transportation zone is proposing to increase 22 fees/rates, decrease 16 fees/rates, and remove one fee as noted below. County Fire is also proposing 16 new rates, nine of which are for businesses and organizations requesting on-site and dedicated fire apparatus and staff, and seven for false alarm responses and inspection violations.

The Medical Examiner is proposing to increase two fees and decrease four fees. Fees are only charged for optional services, such as a family requested autopsy, as allowed by statute and approved by the Board.

The Auditor and Controller reviewed and approved the supporting documentation and methodology used to determine the proposed fees to be adjusted in both departments for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

Today's action requests that the Board approve amendments to Article XX of the San Diego County Administrative Code to fees charged for services by the County Fire Marshal, County EMS, and CSA 17 and find the project exempt from CEQA. Since 100% of the fees assessed on ambulance transports are not collected, full cost recovery for services will not be achieved in FY 26-27 and a waiver of Board Policy B-29 is being requested. The Board last approved revisions to County Fire's, CSA 17's, and County EMS' fees on May 6, 2025 (3). Today's request is to also approve amendments to Article XX of the San Diego County Administrative Code to fees charged for services by the Medical Examiner, which last had Board approved revisions on May 6, 2025 (4). Today's request includes two steps, first the ordinances will be introduced on May 5, 2026, then they will be scheduled for consideration and adoption on May 19, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Consider and adopt the ordinances (unless ordinances are modified on second reading):

- a. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XX THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCE CODE, ARTICLE XX, RELATING TO SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE, SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, AND COUNTY SERVICE AREA 17 CHARGES AND FEES.
- b. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ARTICLE XX SECTION 364.6, RELATING TO MEDICAL EXAMINER FEES AND CHARGES.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Services and oversight provided by San Diego County Fire (County Fire) are partially supported through a fee charged to individuals and agencies applying for new residential and commercial building permits, tenant improvement permits, gate and grading permits, and special event permits. County Fire provides this detailed level of oversight ensuring residents in the San Diego County and Deer Springs Fire Protection Districts receive equitable fire protection by appropriately inspecting residential and commercial properties and ensures compliance with the County Fire Code and California Fire Code.

The County Emergency Medical Services Office (County EMS) provides regional leadership and regulatory oversight of the EMS delivery system and ensures that residents in all areas of the County have access to safe, effective, and equitable prehospital care from trained and verified EMS professionals. County EMS also ensures this through appropriately credentialing licensed and verified personnel, permitting and inspecting privately operated transport vehicles, and designating specialized hospital facilities as required by State statute.

The Department of the Medical Examiner's (Medical Examiner) mission is to contribute to safe communities and to justice and equity for the residents of San Diego County by certifying the cause and manner of death for all homicides, suicides, accidents, and sudden and/or unexpected deaths in the county. The Medical Examiner has and continues to identify ways to reduce departmental costs to provide services to the public. Fees paid by customers ensure that Medical Examiner services benefiting a single agency or individual do not reduce resources available to the entire region.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions are supportive of the County's Sustainability goals to provide just and equitable access to County services by ensuring all residential and commercial properties are appropriately inspected and comply with County Fire Code and California Fire Code. The County Emergency Medical Services Office (County EMS) ensures all EMS responders are duly credentialed in a comprehensive and timely manner, all private ambulances (including air ambulances) are permitted and inspected, continuing education providers have accurate and current lesson plans and course records, and hospitals have the correct specialty care designations. The fees for ambulance transports ensure communities remain resilient and capable of responding to the immediate needs of individuals and families within CSA 17.

The proposed adjustments to the Department of the Medical Examiner fee structure are based on updated cost information, including salaries and benefits, services and supplies, and other departmental and countywide cost drivers. These updates ensure that fees accurately reflect the current cost of providing these services. The proposed actions support the County of San Diego's Strategic Initiative of Sustainability to align the County's available resources with services to maintain fiscal stability and long-term solvency.

FISCAL IMPACT

County Fire

There is no fiscal impact in the current fiscal year. If approved, this request will result in an estimated increase in revenue of \$0.2 million in County Fire, and \$0.4 million in CSA 17 in Fiscal Year 2026-27. Costs and revenue for this request will be included in the Fiscal Year 2026-28 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for County Fire and CSA 17. The funding source are fees paid by agencies or individuals for services.

A waiver of Board of Supervisor Policy B-29: *Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery* is requested because the proposed fees will not cover all of the operating costs for services in CSA 17. The unrecovered cost, estimated at \$1.9 million, will be funded with existing CSA 17 property tax revenue. There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

Medical Examiner

There is no fiscal impact in the current fiscal year. If approved, revenue generated by the revised fees is estimated to decrease by \$1,140 due to decreases in four fees, partially offset by increases in two fees. Costs and revenue for this request will be included in the Fiscal Year 2026-28 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Medical Examiner. There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed Fire Marshal fees and rates for County Fire will have an impact on the business community within the San Diego County Fire Protection District and the Deer Springs Fire Protection District.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Ordinance No. 10994 (N.S), entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XX OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCE CODE, RELATING TO SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE, SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, AND COUNTY SERVICE AREA 17 CHARGES AND FEES; and, Ordinance No. 10995 (N.S), entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ARTICLE XX SECTION 364.6, RELATING TO MEDICAL EXAMINER FEES AND CHARGES.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe

NOES: Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

8. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FUTURE OF PUBLIC HEALTH FUNDING ALLOCATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The California Budget Act of 2022, as authorized under Health and Safety Code 101320, 101320.3, and 101320.5, provided \$200,400,000 in general ongoing funds to the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) starting in 2022-2023 to support the public health infrastructure at the State and local levels. The County of San Diego (County) received an allocation of \$14,356,108 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2023. This funding is intended to strengthen public health capacity and preparedness to respond to future emergencies throughout California communities by developing and strengthening California's public health workforce. The San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) has accepted Future of Public Health funding since 2022 and most recently, the Board authorized the acceptance of \$43,068,324 for FY 2023-24 through FY 2025-26 on August 29, 2023 (5). The CDPH notified the County that they will be allocating \$42,543,939 to the County for three years through June 30, 2029.

Today's action requests the Board approve and authorize acceptance of approximately \$42,543,939 in funding for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029, to support the public health workforce in San Diego County, and to apply for additional funding opportunities to further develop and strengthen the public health workforce.

Today's action supports the County of San Diego vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by ensuring the local health department can continue to improve the health and well-being of San Diego County residents.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Authorize the acceptance of \$42,543,939 in Future of Public Health funding allocation from the California Department of Public Health, for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029, and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute all required funding allocation documents, upon receipt, including any extensions, amendments, and/or revisions thereto that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.
2. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to apply for any additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, to further develop and strengthen the public health workforce.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Services (PHS) continues to increase its workforce infrastructure, it is important that employees hired through this funding allocation reflect the community it serves, as having a diverse and wide spectrum of ideas, backgrounds and skills will help PHS better meet the service needs currently and into the future. As of December 2025, of the positions funded through the Future of Public Health

funding, 40% of staff are Asian, 30% Hispanic/Latinx, 1% Black/African American, and 2% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander. This ensures services provided to residents are more representative of San Diego County's diverse demographics.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's action supports the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goal #1 to collaborate with stakeholders to foster inclusive and sustainable communities by providing leadership and investing in community-centered approaches to advocate for communities that have been disproportionately impacted. Additionally, today's action supports Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to services, and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and well-being of everyone in the region by sustaining the capacity of the County Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Services workforce to support the region during public health emergencies or infectious disease outbreaks.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-28 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$14,181,313 in FY 2026-27 and estimated costs and revenue of \$14,181,313 in FY 2027-28. For the three-year term, cumulative estimated costs and revenue of \$42,543,939. The source for this funding allocation is the California Department of Public Health. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

9. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL (IST) DIVERSION AND COMMUNITY-BASED RESTORATION PROGRAM AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT GRANT FUNDS; ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO PARTICIPATION IN IST INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT; AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT TO ESTABLISH CONTRACTS FOR IST SERVICES; AND AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF GROWTH CAP PENALTY FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

In recent years, the State of California's (State) legislature has implemented new laws, penalties, and funding in response to a significant increase in the number of individuals committed to the State hospital system after being found Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) as part of a felony criminal case. An individual deemed IST by the court is unable to understand the charges against

them and assist counsel in their defense and may receive treatment through the California Department of State Hospitals (DSH) to restore competency and support their return to court. As the number of justice-involved individuals with serious mental illness found IST has continued to rise, demand for State hospital beds has outpaced available capacity, resulting in prolonged waitlists and admission delays.

In response, the State convened a statewide IST Solutions Workgroup (Workgroup) in 2021 to identify strategies to address growing IST commitments and improve timely access to treatment. The Workgroup recommended investments in local diversion, competency restoration, and community-based behavioral health services to intervene earlier and reduce justice involvement among individuals with serious mental illness. Building on these recommendations, Senate Bill 184 established an IST growth cap and penalty structure to incentivize counties to reduce reliance on State hospital commitments, along with a process through which counties can request penalty funds back for reinvestment in approved local programs and services that reduce IST commitments.

In 2023, DSH made funding available to counties to locally serve this population, including funding for local diversion and community-based restoration programming as well as infrastructure. The funding is intended to reduce the number of IST findings through upstream prevention before custody or diversion and to reduce the number of individuals with serious mental illness arrested and incarcerated for behavior connected to their illness. In January 2024, the County of San Diego (County) Behavioral Health Services submitted letters of interest to DSH for two related grant opportunities. On January 28, 2025 (20), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) approved initial actions to expand local IST treatment capacity, laying the groundwork for additional investments and grant opportunities now before the County. However, subsequent to that Board action, DSH provided clarification that the funds must be directly linked to the IST Program Grant, focusing on community-based Settings. Thus, today's action supersedes the January 28, 2025 (20) Board action regarding IST Infrastructure Grant Funds.

Today's item requests the Board authorize acceptance of up to \$46,309,500 in one-time IST Diversion and Community-Based Restoration funds from DSH to enhance and build local treatment options for individuals with serious mental illness at risk of being found IST, or those found IST as part of a felony case. Related Board approvals requested today include adopting a Resolution as required to execute the IST Infrastructure Grant and authorizing the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive procurement for the IST Diversion and Community-Based Restoration program and infrastructure. Today's item also requests the Board authorize acceptance of a total of up to \$6,739,244 in one-time Growth Cap penalty funds from DSH.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Authorize the acceptance of the following grant funds, and authorize the Behavioral Health Services Director to execute all required documents, upon receipt, including any annual extensions, amendments, or revisions that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level:
 - a. \$41,622,000 in Incompetent to Stand Trial Diversion and Community-Based Restoration Program grant funds from the Department of State Hospitals for the

- period of July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2031, for programming and treatment and justice system infrastructure efforts to serve the IST population; and
- b. \$4,687,500 in Incompetent to Stand Trial Diversion and Community-Based Restoration Infrastructure Project grant funds from the Department of State Hospitals for the period of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2028 for capital infrastructure to serve people who have been charged with a felony, deemed incompetent to stand trial, and who are enrolled in the Incompetent to Stand Trial Diversion and Community-Based Restoration Program.
2. Adopt a Resolution entitled: A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of County of San Diego Authorizing County Proposal to Participate in the Incompetent to Stand Trial Diversion and Community-Based Restoration Infrastructure Program to authorize the BHS Director, to execute the IST Infrastructure Grant, and all grant related documents.
 3. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue a competitive procurement for local diversion, community-based restoration and infrastructure programming, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contracts for a term of up to one year, with four option years and up to an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contracts as needed to reflect changes to services and funding.
 4. Authorize the acceptance of returned Growth Cap penalty funds from the California Department of State Hospitals (DSH), totaling up to \$6,739,244 for Fiscal Years (FY) 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 for diversion, competency restoration and community-based behavioral health treatment; and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute all required documents necessary to receive funds from the Mental Health Diversion Fund and enter into or amend agreements consistent with the DSH-approved Growth Cap Expenditure Plan.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Individuals who are justice-involved frequently experience barriers that impact their ability to successfully navigate systems of care and the justice system. Nationwide, systemic issues such as poverty, lack of education, inadequate access to healthcare, unsafe neighborhoods, and insufficient social support contribute to disproportionately high rates of crime, arrests, and incarceration among Black, Indigenous, and People of Color, as well as individuals of a lower socioeconomic status who are struggling with mental health or substance use challenges or experiencing homelessness. It is anticipated that the funding associated with today's action will have a positive impact on these populations by enhancing access to community-based mental health and diversion programming.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's item supports the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to County services by addressing barriers that disproportionately affect justice-involved individuals, particularly Black, Indigenous, and People of Color populations and those experiencing homelessness, mental health, or substance use conditions.

FISCAL IMPACT

Recommendation 1a: Incompetent to Stand Trial Diversion and Community-Based Restoration Program grant

Funds for this request are not included in the FY 2026-28 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in Behavioral Health Services. If approved, this request is anticipated to result in one-time estimated costs and revenue of \$8,324,400 in FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 for a total of \$41,622,000 through FY 2030-31. The funding source is IST Program Grant from the California Department of State Hospitals. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years for the current fiscal year.

Recommendation 1b: Incompetent to Stand Trial Diversion and Community-Based Restoration Infrastructure Project grant

Funds for this request are partially included in the FY 2026-28 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in Behavioral Health Services. If approved, this request is anticipated to result in \$2,343,750 in FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28 for a total of \$4,687,500 for the IST Infrastructure Grant. The funding source is IST Infrastructure Grant from the California Department of State Hospitals. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years for the current fiscal year.

Recommendations 2 and 3: Adopt a Resolution and authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue a Competitive Procurement

These recommendations have no fiscal impact. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

Recommendation 4: Authorize the acceptance of returned Growth Cap penalty funds from the Department of State Hospitals (DSH)

Funds for this request are included in the FY 2026-27 CAO Recommended Operational Plan. If approved, this request will result in one-time costs and revenue of \$4,264,394 in FY 2026-2027 in Behavioral Health Services (\$1,830,064), Sheriff's Office (\$587,000), District Attorney's Office (\$708,000), and Office of the Public Defender (\$1,139,330) and \$2,474,850 in FY 2027-28 in Behavioral Health Services (\$1,830,064) and Office of the Public Defender (\$644,786), for a combined total of \$6,739,244. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years for the current fiscal year.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended on Consent, and adopted Resolution No. 26-046, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING COUNTY PROPOSAL TO AND PARTICIPATION IN THE INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL DIVERSION AND COMMUNITY-BASED RESTORATION INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM ("IST").

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

**10. SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
APPROVE AN ORDINANCE ADDING AND AMENDING PROVISIONS
IN ARTICLE XV-B OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE
CODE RELATING TO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FEES AND CHARGES
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On May 5, 2026 (10), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on May 19, 2026.

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) is an integrated health, housing, and social service organization with a robust service network that spans across the San Diego County region and contributes to making people's lives healthier, safer, and self-sufficient. Services provided by HHSA provide vital resources and care to some of the most vulnerable San Diego County residents. Today's action requests the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) approve amendments to Article XV-B of the San Diego County Administrative Code related to fees and rates established for services delivered in two HHSA departments, Public Health Services and Behavioral Health Services. The Board last approved revisions to HHSA fees and rates on May 6, 2025 (12).

The proposed ordinance represents a comprehensive package that seeks to support the cost of providing services, while maintaining fees that are fair and reasonable for customers and the public. In accordance with Board Policy B-29 (Fees, Grants, and Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery), HHSA recently conducted a review of HHSA fees and rates in order to ensure costs are fully recovered for services provided to agencies or individuals. A total of 132 HHSA fees and associated costs were reviewed, resulting in proposed additions, adjustments, and determinations to maintain existing fees.

Today's action requires two steps. On May 5, 2026, it is requested that the Board consider an ordinance, amending sections of the San Diego County Administrative Code related to HHSA fees. If the Board takes the action as recommended, then on May 19, 2026, the proposed ordinance will be brought back to the Board for consideration and adoption.

This item supports the County vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by ensuring that the County has optimized its health and social services delivery system to ensure efficiency, integration and innovation while maintaining fiscal stability.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Consider and adopt (second reading):

**AN ORDINANCE ADDING AND AMENDING PROVISIONS IN ARTICLE XV-B OF THE
SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FEES AND
CHARGES.**

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

To develop the cost recovery proposal, the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) performed an analysis of all services provided to customers to examine the tasks and functions performed, including the direct and indirect costs of performing those tasks in relation to the specific services. Criteria were established to determine fair and reasonable fees for direct services provided.

The proposed ordinance represents a comprehensive package that seeks to support the cost of providing HHSA services, while maintaining fees that are fair and reasonable for customers and the public. Updates include County Public Health Services, Public Health Laboratory fees that are either tied to environmental testing, such as testing of drinking water or foodborne illness investigations, or clinical fees such as tests for communicable disease outbreaks, among others. The proposed ordinance will also include a revised rate for the Edgemoor Skilled Nursing Facility to align with updated full cost recovery information.

Today's action would update fees for services provided by the County that help to promote health and safety and have an impact on the lives of Black, Indigenous, People of Color, women, people with disabilities, immigrants, youth, the LGBTQ+ community, and other underserved groups.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's proposed action supports the County of San Diego (County) Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access by aligning available County resources with services to maintain fiscal stability and ensure long term solvency.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in no additional costs and an estimated decrease in revenue of \$12,164 in FY 2026-27. There is no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent, adopting Ordinance No. 10996 (N.S), entitled: AN ORDINANCE ADDING AND AMENDING PROVISIONS IN ARTICLE XV-B OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FEES AND CHARGES.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

11. SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS JUNE 2026 MEETING CALENDAR (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On December 9, 2025 (11), the Board of Supervisors (Board) adopted the meeting calendar for the 2026 calendar year. It is necessary to amend the 2026 meeting calendar for the month of June 2026.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHAIR TERRA LAWSON-REMER

Adopt the resolution: A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AMENDING THE DATES AND TIMES FOR MEETINGS OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN JUNE 2026.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Board of Supervisors annually adopts a calendar for regular meetings. This ensures that the public is well informed of the meetings and can plan for active participation in local government.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The amended meeting calendar allows stakeholders to plan for community engagement and identify meaningful ways to continually seek input to foster inclusive and sustainable communities.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with these recommendations. There will be no change to net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

There is no business impact associated with this action.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended on Consent, adopting Resolution No. 26-047, entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AMENDING THE DATES AND TIMES FOR MEETINGS OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN JUNE 2026.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

12. SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE AND AWARD CONTRACTS VIA CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK, PROGRESSIVE DESIGN BUILD, DESIGN BUILD, AND JOB ORDER CONTRACTING DELIVERY METHODS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR), Progressive Design-Build (PDB), Design-Build (DB), and Job Order Contracting (JOC) delivery methods offer efficient, industry-proven

approaches to public works contracting that deliver higher value, reduce risk, and improve project outcomes compared to traditional low-bid contracting. Unlike conventional low-bid contracting, which silos the designer and contractor and requires the County to select a contractor based solely on price, these methods integrate design and construction services or use competitively procured, pre-established pricing to streamline delivery. CMAR, PDB, and DB allow for best-value selection, enabling the County of San Diego (County) to consider factors beyond price, including sustainable building experience, safety record, and Small-Local Business participation, while JOC utilizes competitively awarded on-call contracts to deliver repair and renovation projects that are more accessible to Small-Local Businesses. Together, these delivery methods provide flexibility to address diverse project needs, accelerate project initiation and completion, reduce administrative burdens, and promote collaboration and accountability.

The County's past practice has typically been to approve construction projects multiple times. For capital projects, the Board approves the Capital Improvement Needs Assessment (CINA), a five-year plan of new construction or renovation projects. Next, the Board of Supervisors (Board) approves each project by allocating funding towards it, which is usually done as part of the Operational Plan approval each June. Finally, when staff are ready to publish a Request for Proposals, staff return to the Board for each project requesting authorization to use a selected delivery method (CMAR, PDB, or DB). The Board approved streamlining of that process in 2016 and again in 2021 with the authorization of the ability to advertise and award CMAR contracts up to \$10 million for a period of five years. Today's action requests the expansion of this authorization to include PDB and DB delivery methods and remove the qualifying criteria of \$10 million and five-year time limit. If today's request is approved, projects would be delivered more efficiently by providing staff the authority to select the type of delivery method and advertise and award those contracts in accordance with the Board approval of the project and funding, while maintaining oversight through the annual budgeting process and applicable Public Contract Code requirements. It is anticipated that this streamlining will shorten project timeframes by approximately four months. The Board will continue to maintain multiple touchpoints with capital and major maintenance projects through planning, budgeting, and project-specific actions when required, ensuring continuous oversight across all phases of project delivery. Accordingly, streamlining project-specific contract award approvals does not reduce Board oversight, but instead eliminates duplicative administrative steps. This streamlined approach does not alter any independent statutory requirements, including Board consideration of CEQA documents when applicable. Accordingly, approval is requested to authorize the Director of Purchasing and Contracting to advertise and award CMAR, PDB, DB, and JOC contracts consistent with State law, and to designate the Directors of General Services, Parks and Recreation, and Public Works to administer those contracts pursuant to Board Policy F-41.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find that today's action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article 5, Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines because it is not a project as defined by Section 15378.
2. Authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to take any action authorized by Article XXIII, Section 401, et seq. of the Administrative Code, Public Contract Code Sections 20146, 22185 et seq., 22160 et seq. and 20128.5, and Board

Policy F-41 to advertise, award, and amend any Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR), Progressive Design-Build (PDB), Design-Build (DB), and Job Order Contracting (JOC) contracts.

3. Designate the Director, Department of General Services, the Director, Parks and Recreation, and the Director, Department of Public Works as the County officers responsible for administering awarded CMAR, PDB, DB, and JOC contracts, as appropriate and pursuant to Board Policy F-41, and to execute any and all documents necessary for the implementation of awarded CMAR, PDB, DB, and JOC contracts.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The requested authorization to expand and streamline the use of Construction Manager at Risk, Progressive Design-Build, Design-Build, and Job Order Contracting delivery methods enhance equitable access to County of San Diego's contracting opportunities. Streamlined procurement methods that incorporate best-value selection and inclusive contracting practices support efforts to dismantle barriers to economic opportunity and expand access for traditionally underserved businesses, including small-local firms. By reducing administrative delays while maintaining oversight and compliance with Board policies, moreover, this action promotes fair competition, broadens participation in public works projects, and advances more inclusive economic outcomes across all districts.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

By reducing project delivery timelines and improving operational efficiency, this action supports the Sustainability goal of aligning available resources to maintain long-term fiscal stability and strategically investing in infrastructure that strengthens regional resilience.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact as a result of today's requested action. Funding for Construction Manager at Risk, Progressive Design-Build, Design-Build, and Job Order Contracting projects are budgeted through the Capital Improvement Needs Assessment, Major Maintenance Improvement Plan, departments, or other related Board actions. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the requested authorization to advertise and award Construction Manager at Risk, Progressive Design-Build, Design-Build, and Job Order Contracting delivery methods will have a positive impact on Small-Local businesses. By streamlining procurement processes and reducing project delivery timelines, the County of San Diego (County) will create more predictable and timely contracting opportunities for construction firms, consultants, subcontractors, and suppliers throughout the region. The use of best-value selection methods and on-call contracting mechanisms expands opportunities for qualified small-local businesses to compete and participate in County projects, including through subcontracting and specialty trade roles. Continued adherence to Board Policy B-53, Small-Local Business Policy requirements and other inclusive contracting practices helps ensure that local firms-particularly small, emerging, and historically underutilized businesses-have meaningful access to County contracting opportunities. Overall, this action strengthens the local construction market, supports job creation, and promotes economic activity across all districts without imposing new regulatory burdens on the business community.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

13. SUBJECT: GENERAL SERVICES - APPROVAL OF LEASE AMENDMENT AT 1095 BAY BOULEVARD, APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE OF NEW SPACE FOR THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND CEQA EXEMPTION (DISTRICT: 1)

OVERVIEW

The Probation Department (Probation) has operated its South Bay Probation Office at 1095 Bay Boulevard since 2010. The approximately 15,200 square feet of space houses Probation's Adult and Juvenile Supervision, Juvenile Investigations, and Reentry Services units. The lease expires on June 30, 2026, and an amendment is needed to continue operating at this location for the near future, with a goal of relocating and consolidating South Bay operations. Staff have negotiated a lease amendment to extend the term by one year and provide a one-year option to further extend the term.

Probation recently conducted an evaluation of its South Bay operations, which are housed in two locations. Their Adult and Juvenile Supervision, Juvenile Investigations and Reentry Services units have operated in approximately 15,200 square feet of space at 1095 Bay Boulevard since 2010. Adult Investigations are located at 476 Third Avenue in 4,455 square feet. The Department of General Services (DGS) has conducted a space validation for Probation that supports the need for a combined space of approximately 24,900 square feet. Since the 1095 Bay Boulevard lease expires June 30, 2026, DGS has negotiated a one-year lease amendment, with a one-year option to extend, to allow time to find space for Probation to consolidate their operations. There is no room to expand at either location and there are no vacant County-owned or leased facilities that meet the program requirements.

Today's request is to approve the lease amendment at 1095 Bay Boulevard to allow time to find a suitable replacement facility and to approve, in principle, a lease for approximately 24,883 square feet to consolidate Probation's South Bay Adult and Juvenile Supervision, Adult Investigations, Juvenile Investigations, and Reentry Services operations.

RECOMMENDATION(S)**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Find that the proposed lease amendment for 1095 Bay Boulevard, Chula Vista, is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301.
2. Find that the proposed request for approval in principle is not an approval of a project as defined by the CEQA pursuant to Section 15352 and 15378 (b)(5) of the State CEQA guidelines.

3. Approve and authorize the Director, Department of General Services, or designee, to execute the proposed lease amendment for the premises located at 1095 Bay Boulevard, Chula Vista.
4. Approve in principle the lease of approximately 24,900 square feet of space to accommodate the consolidation of the Probation Department's South Bay operations.
5. Authorize the Director, Department of General Services, or designee, to conduct a site search for suitable sites, negotiate a lease, and return to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors for approval of the agreement, as required by law.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Probation Department's South Bay regional operations are lacking the space needed to support the community in its current location. A larger facility would benefit communities that have been traditionally underserved due to the lack of space for adequate programs and resources providing equitable access.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Implementing effective sustainability objectives is crucial to ensuring safe and healthy communities and contributing to the overall success of the region. The approval in principle for a larger facility for the Probation Department is appropriate as it supports the County's Strategic Initiative of Sustainability to ensure the ability to respond to immediate needs for individuals, families, and the region.

FISCAL IMPACT

1095 Bay Boulevard Amendment

Funds for this request are included in Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Recommended Operational Plan for the Probation Department (Probation). If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$563,554 in FY 2026-27 based on an amendment commencement date of July 1, 2026. For Fiscal Year 2027-28, if the option is exercised there would be a three percent rent adjustment effective July 1, 2027, to \$580,461, which will be included in future operational plans for Probation. The funding source is General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

Approval in Principle

There is no fiscal impact associated with the requested approval in principle of a lease for the consolidation of the Probation Department's South Bay regional operations; however, there will be future fiscal impacts. The lease costs resulting from this action will be determined during lease negotiations and will be provided when staff return to the Board to request approval of a new lease agreement. The funding source for the lease costs will be General Purpose Revenue and will be included in future operational plans for the Probation Department. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

14. **SUBJECT: ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE AND ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION RELATED TO TENTATIVE AGREEMENT PENDING RATIFICATION FOR THE EMPLOYEE BARGAINING UNITS - DI AND DM REPRESENTED BY DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATORS' ASSOCIATION (5/19/2026- First Reading; 6/9/2026- Second Reading, unless the ordinance is modified on second reading) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

Today's actions reflect the compensation changes that have been negotiated with District Attorney Investigators' Association. The County of San Diego (County) reached a tentative agreement for a three-year Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with District Attorney Investigators' Association.

Today's recommendations are for the Board of Supervisors (Board) to approve the introduction of the ordinance (first reading) to amend the Compensation Ordinance. If the Board takes the action as recommended, then on June 9, 2026, staff recommends the Board adopt the ordinance (second reading). If the proposed ordinance is altered on June 9, 2026, then on that date a subsequent meeting date will be selected for the adoption of the ordinance (second reading).

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

On May 19, 2026:

1. Approve the introduction of the Ordinance (first reading):
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE SECTIONS AND ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION RELATING TO THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENT PENDING RATIFICATION WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATORS' ASSOCIATION FOR THE DI AND DM BARGAINING UNITS.

If, on May 19, 2026 the Board takes action as recommended in item 1 above, then, on June 9, 2026:

2. Approve the adoption of the Ordinance (second reading):
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE SECTIONS AND ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION RELATING TO THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENT PENDING RATIFICATION WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATORS' ASSOCIATION FOR THE DI AND DM BARGAINING UNITS.

If the proposed ordinance(s) are altered on June 9, 2026, then on that date a subsequent meeting date will be selected for adoption of the ordinance(s).

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions reflect a strong partnership between the County of San Diego and District Attorney Investigators' Association, demonstrating our shared commitment to equitable salaries, and fair compensation. These efforts support recruitment, retention and benefits for all employees.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed actions, amending the Compensation Ordinance align with the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals by promoting sustainable economic growth for our community. The proposed actions included in this letter provide just and equitable wages and benefits.

FISCAL IMPACT

Today's recommendations are estimated to result in ongoing costs and one-time costs as noted in the table below. The estimated fiscal impact is comprised of ongoing base salary and benefit increases, ongoing market and range increases, ongoing flex credit increases, and one-time monetary payments. Funding for ongoing costs are included in the Fiscal Year 2026-28 CAO Recommended Operational Plan, supported by General Purpose Revenues and various program funding.

<i>in millions</i>		FY26-27	FY27-28	FY28-29
A	Ongoing Base Salary and Benefit Increases	1.20	1.20	1.20
B	Ongoing Market & Range Increases	0.77	0.85	0.83
C	Ongoing Flex Credit Increases	0.07	0.14	0.14
D (A+B+C)	Total Ongoing Cost (<i>incremental</i>)	2.04	2.19	2.17
E	Total One-time Cost	0.22	0.11	0.05
F (D+E)	Total Cost	2.26	2.30	2.23

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended on Consent, and took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on June 9, 2026.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

- 15. SUBJECT: ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE AND ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION RELATED TO ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS AND THE RATIFIED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE EMPLOYEE BARGAINING UNIT - PO REPRESENTED BY SAN DIEGO COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION (5/19/2026- First Reading; 6/9/2026- Second Reading, unless the ordinance is modified on second reading) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

Today's actions reflect the compensation changes that have been negotiated with San Diego County Probation Officers' Association. The County of San Diego (County) reached a ratified tentative agreement for a three-year Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with San Diego County Probation Officers' Association and other compensation changes.

Today's recommendations are for the Board of Supervisors (Board) to approve the introduction of the ordinance (first reading) to amend the Compensation Ordinance. If the Board takes the action as recommended, then on June 9, 2026, staff recommends the Board adopt the ordinance (second reading). If the proposed ordinance is altered on June 9, 2026, then on that date a subsequent meeting date will be selected for the adoption of the ordinance (second reading).

RECOMMENDATION(S)**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

On May 19, 2026:

1. Approve the introduction of the Ordinance (first reading):
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE SECTIONS AND ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS AND THE RATIFIED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION FOR THE PO BARGAINING UNIT.

If, on May 19, 2026 the Board takes action as recommended in item 1 above, then, on June 9, 2026:

2. Approve the adoption of the Ordinance (second reading):
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE SECTIONS AND ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS AND THE RATIFIED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION FOR THE PO BARGAINING UNIT.

If the proposed ordinance(s) are altered on June 9, 2026, then on that date a subsequent meeting date will be selected for adoption of the ordinance(s).

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions reflect a strong partnership between the County of San Diego and San Diego County Probation Officers' Association, demonstrating our shared commitment to equitable salaries, and fair compensation. These efforts support recruitment, retention and benefits for all employees.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed actions, amending the Compensation Ordinance align with the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals by promoting sustainable economic growth for our community. The proposed actions included in this letter provide just and equitable wages and benefits.

FISCAL IMPACT

Today's recommendations are estimated to result in ongoing costs and one-time costs as noted in the table below. The estimated fiscal impact is comprised of ongoing base salary and benefit increases, ongoing market and range increases, ongoing flex credit increases, and one-time monetary payments. Funding for ongoing costs are included in the Fiscal Year 2026-28 CAO Recommended Operational Plan, supported by General Purpose Revenues and various program funding.

<i>in millions</i>		FY26-27	FY27-28	FY28-29
A	Ongoing Base Salary and Benefit Increases	3.47	3.47	3.47
B	Ongoing Market & Range Increases	2.33	2.44	2.40
C	Ongoing Flex Credit Increases	0.29	0.57	0.57
D (A+B+C)	Total Ongoing Cost (<i>incremental</i>)	6.09	6.48	6.44
E	Total One-time Cost	1.15	0.57	0.29
F (D+E)	Total Cost	7.24	7.05	6.74

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended on Consent, and took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on June 9, 2026.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

16. **SUBJECT: APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE OBLIGATIONS BY THE CALIFORNIA ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF CARDIFF ORTHODOX HOUSING FOUNDATION AND/OR A SUCCESSOR ENTITY IN AN AGGREGATE MAXIMUM STATED PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000 (DISTRICT: 3)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego (County) has received a request from the California Enterprise Development Authority (“CEDA” or “Authority”) to conduct a public hearing as required by the Internal Revenue Code and to approve the Authority’s issuance of one or more series of tax-exempt and/or taxable revenue obligations in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 (the “Revenue Obligations”), for the benefit of Cardiff Orthodox Housing Foundation, a California nonprofit religious corporation or a related or successor entity (the “Borrower”).

The Borrower has applied for the financial assistance of the Authority. The Authority will loan the proceeds of the Revenue Obligations to the Borrower pursuant to one or more loan agreements (the “Loan Agreement”). The proceeds of the Revenue Obligations will be applied by the Borrower to finance, refinance and/or reimburse the cost of acquisition, development, construction, equipping and furnishing of a 61-unit, multi-family, senior housing project located at 3453, 3455 and 3457 Manchester Avenue, Cardiff by the Sea, California 92007 (the “Project”). A portion of the proceeds of the Revenue Obligations will be used to pay the costs of issuance and other related costs in connection with the financing. The Borrower is an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”) and will own and operate the Project in connection with its mission of providing suitable independent housing for the elderly in a community where they can also receive social, recreational and religious support. The Revenue Obligations will be paid entirely from repayments by the Borrower under the Loan Agreement.

On May 18, 2021 (11), pursuant to Resolution 21-065, the Board of Supervisors approved the issuance of revenue obligations by the Authority for the benefit of the Borrower to facilitate the construction of the Project. The Revenue Obligations were acquired by First Republic Bank (“First Republic”) on October 18, 2021. Due to delays encountered in the approval of a required lot line adjustment and the collapse of First Republic in early 2023, the Borrower was not able to complete the Project as originally contemplated. In addition, since the initial financing, the cost of constructing the Project has increased considerably, requiring the

Borrower to seek additional funding to complete the Project. Over the last several years, the Borrower has worked diligently to bring the Project to fruition and secured a commitment from JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (“JPMorgan”) for the additional funding.

On November 18, 2025 (11), pursuant to Resolution 25-126, the Board of Supervisors approved the issuance of revenue obligations by the Authority for the benefit of the Borrower in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 to facilitate the construction of the Project. After extensive negotiations, the Borrower and JPMorgan were unable to agree on the terms of the additional financing. In view of the importance of the Project to the community, the Borrower sought out a different funding source for the Project and has secured a commitment from 1st Century Bank (“Century Bank”) to provide funding for the Project. Due to the additional lapse of time and the impact of additional costs to complete the Project, Century Bank has agreed to provide increased funding for the Project which necessitates a new approval by the Board of Supervisors. The proposed approval amount of \$30,000,000 sufficiently covers the amount of funding to be provided by Century Bank for the Project.

The Authority is authorized to assist in financing of nonprofit public benefit organizations or for-profit corporations with a public benefit project wishing to issue or reissue bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, including the Borrower. In order to initiate such a financing, the Borrower is asking the County, a member jurisdiction in which the Project is located to approve the Authority’s issuance of the Revenue Obligations. Although the Authority will be the issuer of the Revenue Obligations for the Borrower, the financing cannot proceed without the approval of one of the applicable legislative bodies.

Today’s recommendations will provide the Authority with the required authorization to pursue its determination to issue the Revenue Obligations on behalf of the Borrower.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Adopt a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF CALIFORNIA ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY REVENUE OBLIGATIONS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT
NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING AND/OR
REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, EQUIPPING
AND FURNISHING OF MULTIFAMILY SENIOR HOUSING FACILITIES

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This financing will help in the creation of a new quality, affordable 61-unit senior housing facility in San Diego County. The bonds issued will be used to finance, refinance and/or reimburse the cost of acquisition, development, construction, equipping and furnishing of the property located at 3453, 3455 and 3457 Manchester Avenue, Cardiff by the Sea, California 92007. This project will improve the health of the community by providing quality senior affordable housing in the county.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action would result in economic, social, and educational benefits for the community, and will contribute to the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal No. 2, providing just and equitable access, by allowing the Borrower to provide safe housing for the elderly, low-income underserved communities of San Diego County.

FISCAL IMPACT

If approved, the proposal will result in approximately \$991 of unanticipated revenue to be used to reimburse the County of San Diego (County) for staff time associated with this non-County financing. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

The Borrower will be responsible for the payment of all present and future costs in connection with the financing. The County will incur no obligation of indebtedness as a result of these actions.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended on Consent, adopting Resolution No. 26-048, entitled: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF CALIFORNIA ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REVENUE OBLIGATIONS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING AND/OR REFINANCING THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, EQUIPPING AND FURNISHING OF MULTIFAMILY SENIOR HOUSING FACILITIES.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

17. **SUBJECT: APPROVING AN INCREASE IN THE ISSUANCE OF EXEMPT FACILITY BONDS BY THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY BY THE AGGREGATE OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000,000 (INCREASED FROM \$40,000,000) TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE A QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL KNOWN AS 707 BY VINTAGE APARTMENT PROJECT (DISTRICT: 1)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego ("County") has received a request from the California Municipal Finance Authority ("CMFA" or "Authority") to approve the Authority's issuance of exempt facility bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$65,000,000 (the "Bonds"), for the benefit of Vintage Housing Holdings LLC, a California limited liability corporation (the "Borrower"). The Borrower has requested that the Authority participate in the issuance of the

Bonds to finance or refinance the acquisition and rehabilitation of a 202-unit (including a two manager's units) multifamily rental housing project located within the County at 707 Broadway, San Diego, California, 92101 (collectively, the "Project").

The Authority is authorized to assist in financing for nonprofit public benefit organizations or for-profit corporations with a public benefit project wishing to issue revenue bonds, including the Borrower. In order to initiate such a financing, the Borrower is asking the County, a member jurisdiction in which the project resides to approve the Authority's issuance of the Bonds. Although the Authority will be the issuer of the Bonds for the Borrower, the financing cannot proceed without the approval of an applicable legislative body.

The County approved a resolution establishing a not-to-exceed amount of \$40,000,000 for the Project at its March 24, 2026 (10) Board of Supervisors meeting, Resolution No. 26-016. Subsequent to that approval, the Borrower was awarded additional tax-exempt financing, resulting in a total bond amount that exceeds \$40,000,000. Accordingly, this action requires another TEFRA hearing to take place and resolution to be approved increasing the not-to-exceed amount to \$65,000,000.

Pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, a public hearing was held on April 30, 2026. There were no comments from the public at that hearing.

Today's recommendations will provide the Authority with the required authorization to pursue its determination to issue the Bonds on behalf of the Borrower for the Project.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Adopt a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING A PLAN OF FINANCE INCREASING THE ISSUANCE OF EXEMPT FACILITY BONDS BY THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY WITH THE AGGREGATE OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000,000 (INCREASED FROM \$40,000,000) TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE A QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL KNOWN AS 707 BY VINTAGE APARTMENT PROJECT,

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This financing will help in the creation of quality, affordable housing for 200 low-income households in San Diego County. The bonds issued will be used to finance or refinance the acquisition and rehabilitation of a multifamily rental housing project located at 707 Broadway, San Diego, California 92101. The obligations will assist the Borrower to offer low-income living arrangements for households in San Diego County.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action would result in economic benefits for the community by allowing the borrower to serve 200 low-income households in the San Diego County. This financing will contribute to the County's Sustainability Goal No. 2, providing just and equitable access, by increasing investment in underserved communities of San Diego County.

FISCAL IMPACT

If approved, the proposal will result in approximately \$991 of unanticipated revenue to be used to reimburse the County of San Diego (County) for staff costs associated with this non-County financing. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

The Borrower will be responsible for the payment of all present and future costs in connection with the reissuance of the financing related to the Project. The County will incur no obligation of indebtedness as a result of today's actions.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended on Consent, adopting Resolution No. 26-049, entitled: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING A PLAN OF FINANCE INCREASING THE ISSUANCE OF EXEMPT FACILITY BONDS BY THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY WITH THE AGGREGATE OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000,000 (INCREASED FROM \$40,000,000) TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE A QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL KNOWN AS 707 BY VINTAGE APARTMENT PROJECT.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

- 18. SUBJECT: APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY REVENUE BONDS, (FLYLAND HOLDINGS LLC OBLIGATED GROUP) SERIES 2026 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE RADAR RECOVERY CENTER PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$77,000,000 (DISTRICT: 1)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego (County) has received a request from the Public Finance Authority, a unit of government and a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (the "PFA"), to approve the PFA's issuance of bonds in one or more series (the "Bonds") for the benefit of Flyland Holdings LLC (the "Borrower"), a Wisconsin limited liability company and a disregarded entity of Stepstone Health Foundation, a Delaware nonprofit corporation and an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") for the purpose of making a loan to the Borrower, to provide the Borrower and/or Flyland Recovery Network, LLC ("FRN") with moneys to finance the acquisition of an inpatient substance use disorder and behavioral health facility known as Radar Recovery Center located at 1119 28th Street, San Diego, California 92102 (the "Facility"). Not to exceed \$77,000,000 maximum aggregate principal amount of the Bonds will be issued for the purpose of financing the acquisition of the Facility.

The PFA is authorized to issue tax-exempt and taxable revenue bonds for financing projects located throughout the United States that contribute to social and economic growth and improve the quality of life in communities throughout the country, including for 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations.

In order to issue the Bonds, the PFA is required, by Section 147(f) of the Code and under its governing statutes and documents, to obtain the approval of a governmental unit having jurisdiction over the area in which the Facility is located. In order to initiate such a financing, the Borrower is asking the County, a member jurisdiction in which the project resides to approve the Authority's issuance of the Bonds. Although the Authority will be the issuer of the Bonds for the Borrower, the financing cannot proceed without the approval of an applicable legislative body.

Today's recommendations will provide the PFA with a required approval necessary for the PFA to issue the Bonds and finance the Project described below.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Adopt a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY REVENUE BONDS, (FLYLAND HOLDINGS LLC OBLIGATED GROUP) SERIES 2026 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE RADAR RECOVERY CENTER PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$77,000,000.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This financing will support the continued operation of substance use disorder and behavioral health treatment services for individuals in the county. The Facility provides critical inpatient treatment services with 37 licensed beds and approximately 68 employees dedicated to serving individuals struggling with substance use disorders and co-occurring behavioral health conditions. Substance use disorders disproportionately impact vulnerable populations, including individuals experiencing homelessness, those with limited access to healthcare, and communities facing economic challenges. By facilitating the acquisition of this existing treatment facility by a nonprofit organization, this financing will help ensure continued access to essential recovery services for San Diego County residents in need.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action would result in economic benefits for the community by supporting the continued operation of a substance use disorder and behavioral health treatment facility serving San Diego County residents. The Facility employs approximately 68 individuals and provides critical treatment services that contribute to the overall health and well-being of the community. This financing will contribute to the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal No. 2, providing just and equitable access, by supporting investment in healthcare services for underserved populations and individuals affected by substance use disorders and behavioral health conditions.

FISCAL IMPACT

If approved, the proposal will result in approximately \$991 of unanticipated revenue to be used to reimburse the County of San Diego (County) for staff costs associated with this

non-County financing. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

The Borrower will be responsible for the payment of all present and future costs in connection with the issuance of the Bonds and the financing of the Project, including the Facility. The County will incur no obligation of indebtedness as a result of today's actions.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended on Consent, adopting Resolution No. 26-050, entitled: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY REVENUE BONDS, (FLYLAND HOLDINGS LLC OBLIGATED GROUP) SERIES 2026 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE RADAR RECOVERY CENTER PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$77,000,000.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

19. SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODES: VARIOUS AGENCIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The Board of Supervisors serves as the Code Reviewing Body for any local agency, other than cities, with jurisdiction wholly within the County, pursuant to Government Code Section 82011. The recommended action would approve the proposed amendments to the Conflict of Interest code for Literacy First Charter Schools, North County Transit District and San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG).

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Approve the Conflict of Interest codes for the following agencies:

- Literacy First Charter Schools
- North County Transit District
- San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

County government includes standing and special boards, commissions, committees and task forces formed to advise the Board of Supervisors and County staff on issues and policies and to serve as links to the community. Boards, commissions and committees provide an inter-relationship between the residents and the government of the County and as such must provide transparent, bias-free decision-making. The Board of Supervisors serves as the Code Reviewing Body for any local agency, other than cities, with jurisdiction wholly within the County, pursuant to Government Code Section 82011. Under the California Political Reform

Act, a public official has a disqualifying conflict of interest in a governmental decision if it is foreseeable that the decision will have a financial impact on their personal finances or other financial interests. In such cases, there is a risk of biased decision-making that could sacrifice the public's interest in favor of the official's private financial interests. To avoid actual bias or the appearance of possible improprieties, the public official is prohibited from participating in the decision.

The recommended action would approve the amended Conflict of Interest codes submitted by Literacy First Charter Schools, North County Transit District and San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG). The Conflict of Interest codes in this Board Letter enable the County of San Diego to provide transparency and accountability to individual residents, ensuring equitable operations of the government that are free from undue influence.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Under the Political Reform Act, all public agencies are required to adopt a Conflict of Interest code that designates positions that are required to file the Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700). Conflict of Interest codes must be maintained as updated and accurate to ensure that necessary public officials report their personal financial interests. These required filings provide public transparency about possible conflicts of interest and to ensure governmental decisions are made in the best interest of the public. This Board Letter supports the County of San Diego's sustainability goal of, "Engaging the community to partner and participate in decisions that impact their lives and communities and transparently share results of outcomes."

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation. There will be no change in General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

20. SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM: SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:

OVERVIEW

On May 5, 2026 (11), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on May 19, 2026.

Today's actions request that the Board of Supervisors (Board) review and approve the introduction of two ordinances for amendments to the San Diego County Administrative Code

Section 439.2 and San Diego County Administrative Code Article X-A. In addition, the Board is requested to adopt a resolution relating to the hourly billing rates for the Office of County Counsel.

The recommended ordinances and resolution represent a comprehensive package that supports the Finance and General Government Group's services in alignment with Board Policy B-29, *Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts-Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery*, which requires that departments recover the full cost of all services provided for which fees may be charged. The proposed changes are the result of an analysis of services provided to the public, processing times, and associated costs to provide those services.

The Auditor & Controller has reviewed and approved the supporting documentation and methodology for establishing the fees and rates in this proposal for Fiscal Year 2026-27, as appropriate.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Submit ordinances for further Board consideration and adoption (Second Reading):

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 439.2 OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO FEES FOR THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
RECORDS AND SERVICES

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE X-A OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO FEES CHARGED BY THE CLERK OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed actions would amend fees and charges for services that are provided to agencies or individuals outside of the County of San Diego (County) organization. The fees and rates that are included in this fee package are intended to cover the full cost of services that will be provided to such agencies or individuals. By collecting the full cost of services, the County ensures that services that benefit a single agency or individual do not reduce the available resources that could be available to the entire region for other vital services that are provided by County departments.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed fee package supports the recovery of the full cost of providing services to individuals and agencies outside of the County. This helps the County achieve economic sustainability and long-term fiscal stability by aligning resources with services, while continuing to provide critical services to the public.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this proposal will be included in the Fiscal Year 2026-27 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Office of County Counsel, Registrar of Voters, and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. If approved, the proposed rates and fees will ensure full cost recovery for the services provided beginning in Fiscal Year 2026-27.

The proposed hourly rates for the Office of County Counsel are projected to result in an estimated decrease of \$34,118 in annual revenue generated from the hourly billable services provided to clients.

The proposed fee package for the Registrar of Voters will result in an estimated increase of \$75,000 in annual revenue.

The proposed fee package for the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is projected to result in an estimated increase of \$40,556 in annual revenue.

These rates and fees are estimated in amounts sufficient to recover full cost as required by Board Policy B-29, *Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts-Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery*. Accordingly, there is no projected unrecovered cost, and a waiver of Board Policy B-29 is not needed. The funding source is fees paid by customers of the identified services. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed fee changes are considered reasonable and are not anticipated to have a measurable impact on the local business community.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended on Consent, adopting Ordinance No. 10997 (N.S), entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 439.2 OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO FEES FOR THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS RECORDS AND SERVICES; and, Ordinance No. 10998 (N.S), entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE X-A OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO FEES CHARGED BY THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR COPIES OF AUDIO RECORDINGS, PASSPORT PHOTOS, MONEY ORDER TRANSACTIONS, AND WRITTEN ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

21. SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

These appointments are in accordance with applicable Board Policy A-77, "Appointments to Fill Vacancies and Cancellation of Election where Insufficient Nominations Filed Prior to Uniform District Election and Citizen Planning Group Election," and Board Policy I-1, "Planning and Sponsor Group Policies and Procedures."

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON

Appoint Orville McCallister to the JAMUL-DULZURA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP, Seat 13, to complete the unexpired term, set to expire January 8, 2029.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

County government includes standing and special citizen boards, commissions, committees, and task forces formed to advise the Board of Supervisors and County staff on issues and policy and to serve as links to the community. Boards, commissions, and committees provide an inter-relationship between the residents and the government of the County. The nominations in this Board Letter enable the County of San Diego to provide individual residents the opportunity to impart valuable insight and input into the operation of the government.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County of San Diego has over one hundred boards, commissions, committees, and task forces that serve as voice in the County government. Advisory bodies are an essential role in resident engagement that allow citizens to participate on issues relating to the welfare and quality of life in the County. They are fundamental to the County of San Diego's ability to navigate complex and dynamic policy challenges, are a conduit to the County Bureaucracy, and a broker to community voice. This board letter supports the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal No.1 by "encourage[ing] people and diverse stakeholders to partner and participate in decisions that impact their lives and communities."

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

22. SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED (DISTRICTS: ALL)**OVERVIEW**

Board Policy A-72, Board of Supervisors Agenda and Related Process, authorizes the Clerk of the Board to prepare a Communications Received for Board of Supervisors' Official Records. Routine informational reports, which need to be brought to the attention of the Board of Supervisors yet not requiring action, are listed on this document. Communications Received documents are on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.

RECOMMENDATION(S)**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Note and file.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

This board letter is a list of documents received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and/or Board of Supervisors from other entities, other county departments, the public, and internal documents presented to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or the Board of Supervisors. This contributes to the overall sustainability of the county by engaging the community in meaningful ways and promote an environment that provides equitable access opportunities for public engagement.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

23. **SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 448.1 TO ARTICLE XXV OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND SECTION 21.1901 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO SHERIFF'S OFFICE FEES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The San Diego County Sheriff's Office (Sheriff's Office) is dedicated to delivering high quality public safety services to all residents of San Diego County. To support this commitment, the Sheriff's Office regularly evaluates its operations to ensure a balanced and effective approach to service delivery. This includes reviewing the services it provides and the associated costs, with periodic adjustments to fees to reflect current expenses.

The Sheriff's Office recently conducted a review of all its fees and rates to ensure compliance with Board Policy B-29 Fees, Grants, and Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery (Board Policy B-29), which requires County of San Diego (County) departments to recover costs to provide services to agencies or individuals. As a result, the Sheriff's Office is proposing a fee package that is the result of an analysis of services provided to the public, processing times, and corresponding costs to provide those services. The proposed amendments to the County Administrative Code pertain to Section 448.1 (Detention Services User Fees), to update existing fees associated with prepaid debit cards issued to an incarcerated person upon final release from custody, and vendor costs put forth by the commissary service website. In addition to the County Administrative Code amendments, the Sheriff's Office reviewed its regulatory and licensing fees, and is proposing increasing 28 fees, deleting three fees, keeping

seven fees the same, and adding two new fees for services. The Sheriff's Office is requesting a waiver of Board Policy B-29 for three fees which are less than full cost recovery: Carry Concealed Weapons (CCW) license, For-Hire Vehicle Driver Identification Card, and Taxicab Driver Identification Card.

The Auditor and Controller has reviewed and approved the supporting documentation and methodology for establishing the fees in this proposal for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

Today's actions request the Board of Supervisors (Board) to approve amendments to Section 448.1 of the County Administrative Code and Section 21.1901 of the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances related to the Sheriff's Office fees charged for services provided. The ordinance will be introduced on May 19, 2026 (first reading), if the Board takes action as recommended, then on June 9, 2026 (second reading), these changes will be adopted. If the proposed ordinance is altered on May 19, 2026, then on that date, a subsequent meeting date will be selected for the ordinance's adoption. Additionally, today's action requests a waiver of Board Policy B-29 full cost recovery related to the CCW, For-Hire Vehicle Driver Identification Card, and Taxicab Driver Identification Card fee.

RECOMMENDATION(S)SHERIFF

1. Approve the introduction of the Ordinance (first reading):
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 448.1 TO ARTICLE XXV OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND SECTION 21.1901 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO SHERIFF'S OFFICE FEES.
2. Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants and Revenue Contracts, Department Responsibility for Full Cost Recovery related to Carry Concealed Weapons License, For-Hire Vehicle Driver Identification Card, and Taxicab Driver Identification Card fees, of the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances.

If, on May 19, 2026, the Board takes action as recommended above, then on June 9, 2026:

1. Consider and adopt (second reading):
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 448.1 TO ARTICLE XXV OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND SECTION 21.1901 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO SHERIFF'S OFFICE FEES.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The San Diego County Sheriff's Office strives for equitable and positive outcomes in our communities, ensuring that services to our communities do not entail fees that create inequities. The proposed fee changes aim to provide additional transparency and accountability. The adjustments to fees are meant for service cost recovery and to provide benefit from a service by paying part of its cost, rather than having the entire burden fall on taxpayers. The calculations for the fee increases are not meant to be cost prohibitive for individuals, especially members of our communities who suffer from economic inequality.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions align with the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goals by enhancing fiscal stability by obtaining partial cost recovery for services provided, while ensuring equity by requiring recipients of the service to pay a portion of the costs, lessening the reliance on County's General Purpose Revenue to provide the services. Each of the fees has been tailored to balance fiscal stability and equity to avoid disproportionately burdening any segment of the population needing the services.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the County for fees related to pre-paid debit cards found in the County Administrative Code. The fees assessed for this service are paid directly by the customer to the debit card vendor and/or merchant for processing the transactions. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

There is no fiscal impact to the County for fees related to commissary website transactions, also found in the County Administrative Code. To offset vendor service costs, transaction fees are proposed to increase by \$0.65 per transaction. If approved, the cost per transaction will go from \$3.25 to \$3.90 to support website hosting and processing online credit and debit card payments. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

If various regulatory and licensing fees are approved, this request will produce a nominal increase in revenue depending on the number of licenses issued each year. Costs and revenues related to these fees of \$1,048,117, are included in the Fiscal Year 2026-27 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Office. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

A waiver of Board Policy B-29, for three fees is being requested because full cost recovery could become cost prohibitive and inhibit access and participation for those that face economic challenges. The three fees are: Carry Concealed Weapons (CCW) License, For-Hire Vehicle Driver Identification Card, and Taxicab Driver Identification Card. The unrecovered cost, estimated at \$5.1 million will be funded with Sheriff's Office General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Aguirre, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors closed the Hearing and took action as recommended, and took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on June 9, 2026.

AYES: Aguirre, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

NOT PRESENT: Anderson

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

24. SUBJECT: MODERNIZING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHARTER TO STRENGTHEN TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

San Diego County has grown into one of the largest and most complex county governments in the nation, managing more than \$8.6 billion in annual public spending and delivering essential services to over 3.3 million residents. With that scale comes an even greater responsibility to ensure public dollars are used effectively and decisions reflect the needs of the people we serve.

As the County has grown, public expectations for transparency, accountability, and independent oversight have grown as well, yet the County's governing framework has not kept pace with that reality.

For many years, community organizations, civic leaders, and residents across the region have consistently called for greater transparency, clearer performance reporting, and stronger independent oversight of County decision-making. Together, these concerns make it harder for the public to understand how decisions are made, whether programs are working, and how their tax dollars are being spent. These concerns point to a widening gap between the scale and complexity of County government today and the oversight systems designed to ensure accountability to the public.

Key decisions affecting County budgets, programs, and service delivery are often shaped through internal staff-level analysis, with limited independent capacity to verify assumptions, evaluate performance, or assess policy alternatives. This creates two related challenges: it makes it harder for the public to clearly understand how decisions are made and how public dollars are spent, and it limits the ability of the Board of Supervisors, acting on behalf of County residents, to provide informed, effective oversight of a large and permanent County bureaucracy.

This Charter modernization effort responds directly to those long-standing calls from residents and community stakeholders. Its purpose is to strengthen independent oversight, improve transparency and access to information, and clarify accountability so residents can have greater confidence that County government is working effectively, efficiently, and in the public interest.

On April 21, 2026 (Item 14), the Board adopted Resolution 26-024 (Attachment 3) entitled, "A Transparent, Accountable, Modern County Government," that proposed amendments to the County Charter. The Board also introduced an ordinance calling for a special election to submit the Charter amendment to the voters. During the meeting, the Charter reform proposal was amended to (1) give the Board the option to appoint the County Public Defender by ordinance, and (2) authorize County Counsel to make technical modifications to the measure or ballot question to conform to the California Elections Code, other law, or the Registrar of Voters.

Today's action is the second reading of the ordinance, before being placed on the November 2026 ballot. Because these changes involve the County Charter, voters will have the final decision on how their government is structured and how accountability is strengthened.

Core Reform Priorities:

The proposed Charter updates establish core accountability tools designed to improve public understanding and strengthen effective oversight, including:

- **Independent Ethics Oversight** - Establishing independent ethics oversight applicable to elected County officials to ensure ethical standards are upheld through a transparent and impartial process that strengthens public trust in County leadership.
- **Independent Fiscal and Budget Analysis** - Providing the Board of Supervisors and the public with independent, nonpartisan analysis of County budgets, long-term fiscal impacts, and policy tradeoffs before major decisions are made so public dollars are protected and tradeoffs are clearly understood.
- **Independent Evaluation of County Programs and Services** - Creating independent capacity to assess program performance and outcomes, strengthening accountability for results and service delivery, and helping the County improve what works and fix what doesn't.
- **Transparency in County Spending and Performance** - Expanding public access to clear, timely, and usable information about County spending, operations, and program performance so residents can more easily see how their government is performing.
- **Modernization and Clarification of Charter Provisions** - Updating outdated or unclear Charter language to improve clarity and legal durability and align with state law.
- **Accountability for Senior Appointed Leadership** - Creating and modernizing confirmation, removal, and accountability requirements for senior leadership roles to strengthen transparency and public confidence. Gives the Board the option to appoint the County Public Defender by ordinance.
- **Clear and Reasonable Term Limits** - Aligning term limits for County elected leadership with California's 12-year legislative model by establishing a limit of three four-year terms for members of the Board of Supervisors and establishing a Charter framework that would apply the same three four-year limit to other Countywide elected offices if enabling legislation is ever enacted in the future by the State of California. This approach ensures immediate alignment for Supervisors while creating a consistent and standardized long-term accountability framework for all Countywide elected offices. This approach to term limits balances the importance of ensuring competence, expertise, and stability of elected leadership, with the value of encouraging new ideas and safeguarding against entrenchment.
- **Cost-Neutral Implementation** - All reforms will be implemented with no additional cost to taxpayers. This measure relies on existing resources, modernizes outdated structures, and reduces inefficiency, duplication, and waste. Over time, stronger oversight and clearer accountability are expected to yield long-term savings by preventing fraud, improving program effectiveness, and ensuring public dollars are spent as intended.

These reforms are designed to give residents, taxpayers, and their elected representatives stronger tools to understand, evaluate, and oversee how County government operates. The package is structured to be implemented without additional cost to taxpayers.

Today's action also establishes ongoing public and community engagement in the Charter Reform process, directing the CAO to share impartial factual information with the public about the impacts of proposed Charter changes so voters can make informed decisions.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHAIR TERRA LAWSON-REMER

1. Consider and adopt the Ordinance (second reading) entitled:
AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026 FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS AMENDMENTS TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHARTER ENTITLED "A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, MODERN COUNTY GOVERNMENT."
2. Authorize the Chair to file a ballot argument and any rebuttal and to determine other voters and/or associations that may join in signing.
3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to provide residents with impartial, factual information regarding the proposed Charter amendments and their potential implications for County governance. These efforts may include, but are not limited to, an impartial website summary, public forums, social media, tele-town halls, and other forms of community outreach designed to ensure residents have clear, accessible, and accurate information to make an informed decision on the proposed measure.
4. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer, County Counsel, and the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to support all activities related to the actions described in this Board Letter, including, but not limited to, consolidating Charter annotations into an appendix and working with the Charter Reform Implementation Task Force to support implementation of the approved reforms.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This action supports the County's commitment to equitable service delivery by strengthening transparency, accountability, and independent oversight of County government operations. Ensuring that public resources are managed effectively and that performance information is accessible to all residents supports more equitable outcomes across all communities served by the County.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This action supports the County's long-term fiscal and operational sustainability by establishing independent oversight mechanisms and improving access to budget and performance information. Strengthening accountability structures and evidence-based decision-making supports responsible stewardship of public resources over time.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no immediate fiscal impact associated with today's recommended action. The proposed Charter reforms are intended to be implemented using existing resources and are designed to be cost-neutral. Over time, strengthened oversight and accountability are expected to reduce inefficiencies, prevent waste, and improve the effective use of public funds.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed Charter reforms do not create new regulatory burdens or costs for businesses. By improving transparency, fiscal discipline, and government effectiveness, the reforms are expected to foster a more stable, predictable, and competitive local economic environment.

ACTION 24.1:

Noting for the record that this item was heard on May 20, 2026; Supervisor Lawson-Remer made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe to:

1. Adopt a revised Resolution, entitled: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 26-024 PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ENTITLED "A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, MODERN COUNTY GOVERNMENT."
2. Approve the introduction of a revised Ordinance (first reading), amended from the Ordinance that was introduced at the April 21, 2026 (14) meeting, entitled:
AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026 FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS AMENDMENTS TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHARTER ENTITLED "A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, MODERN COUNTY GOVERNMENT."
3. Submit the revised Ordinance for further Board consideration and adoption (second reading) on June 25, 2026.
4. Authorize the Chair to file a ballot argument and any rebuttal and to determine other voters and/or associations that may join in signing.
5. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to provide residents with impartial, factual information regarding the proposed Charter amendments and their potential implications for County governance. These efforts may include, but are not limited to, an impartial website summary, public forums, social media, tele-town halls, and other forms of community outreach designed to ensure residents have clear, accessible, and accurate information to make an informed decision on the proposed measure.
6. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer, County Counsel, and the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to support all activities related to the actions described in this Board Letter, including, but not limited to, consolidating Charter annotations into an appendix and working with the Charter Reform Implementation Task Force to support implementation of the approved reforms.

(A Substitute Motion was introduced.)

ACTION 24.2:

Noting for the record that this item was heard on May 20, 2026; a substitute motion was made by Supervisor Desmond seconded by Supervisor Anderson, to approve both items 24 and 25 as written with recommendation three in item 25 amended to “Submit the revised Ordinance for further Board consideration and adoption (second reading) on June 25, 2026.”

AYES: Anderson, Desmond

NOES: Aguirre, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe

(Substitute Motion failed for lack of required affirmative votes.)

ACTION 24.3:

Noting for the record that this item was heard on May 20, 2026; ON MOTION of Supervisor Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions:

1. Adopted Resolution No. 26-051, entitled: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 26-024 PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ENTITLED “A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, MODERN COUNTY GOVERNMENT.”
2. Approved the introduction of a revised Ordinance (first reading), amended from the Ordinance that was introduced at the April 21, 2026 (14) meeting, entitled:
AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026 FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS AMENDMENTS TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHARTER ENTITLED “A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, MODERN COUNTY GOVERNMENT.”
3. Submitted the revised Ordinance for further Board consideration and adoption (second reading) on June 25, 2026.
4. Authorized the Chair to file a ballot argument and any rebuttal and to determine other voters and/or associations that may join in signing.
5. Directed the Chief Administrative Officer to provide residents with impartial, factual information regarding the proposed Charter amendments and their potential implications for County governance. These efforts may include, but are not limited to, an impartial website summary, public forums, social media, tele-town halls, and other forms of community outreach designed to ensure residents have clear, accessible, and accurate information to make an informed decision on the proposed measure.
6. Directed the Chief Administrative Officer, County Counsel, and the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to support all activities related to the actions described in this Board Letter, including, but not limited to, consolidating Charter annotations into an appendix and working with the Charter Reform Implementation Task Force to support implementation of the approved reforms.

AYES: Aguirre, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe

NOES: Anderson, Desmond

25. **SUBJECT: ADOPTING A REVISED RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ENTITLED “A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, MODERN COUNTY GOVERNMENT” AND AMENDING THE ORDINANCE MODERNIZING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHARTER TO STRENGTHEN TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On April 21, 2026 (14), the Board of Supervisors (Board) considered a proposal to amend the County Charter, and, by a vote of 3 to 2, adopted a resolution and approved the introduction of an ordinance to submit proposed County Charter amendments to County voters on November 3, 2026.

During the Board discussion on this item, members of the Board were provided supplemental information by staff, shared additional ideas, and expressed their openness to the possibility of making revisions during the further consideration of the ordinance, scheduled for May 19, 2026.

Based on the Board’s discussion of the proposed amendments to the County Charter, I am submitting a revised resolution proposing amendments to the County Charter and a revised version of the proposed ordinance for the Board to consider during the May 19, 2026, Board meeting. In summary, the revisions I am suggesting to the proposed ordinance include the following:

- Restore language maintaining two four-year term limits for current members of the County Board of Supervisors and clarify that the proposed term limit extension for members of the County Board of Supervisors would only apply to future Board members
- Delete language empowering Supervisors to confirm and remove senior staff appointed by the Chief Administrative Officer
- Add language establishing the proposed independent program auditor position as
 - o an elected position
- Clarify language specifying that members of the Board of Supervisors are prohibited from interfering in the decisions of the County’s Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting, prohibited from dealing directly with the Director for the purpose of buying supplies, and are limited to conducting official business with the Director only when the Board is convened in regular session
- Delete provisions proposing to establish term limits for the elected County offices when a change in State law would be required to establish such limits.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON

1. Adopt a Resolution entitled RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 26-024 PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ENTITLED “A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, MODERN COUNTY GOVERNMENT.”

2. Approve the introduction of a revised Ordinance (first reading), amended from the Ordinance that was introduced at the April 21, 2026 (14) meeting, entitled:
AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026 FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS AMENDMENTS TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHARTER ENTITLED “A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, MODERN COUNTY GOVERNMENT.”
3. Submit the revised Ordinance for further Board consideration and adoption (second reading) on June 23, 2026.
4. If the proposed amendments to the County Charter are passed, create the Charter Reform Implementation Task Force (Task Force), co-chaired by Jack McGrory and Dr. Kyra Greene. Each member of the Board of Supervisors shall appoint one additional member to serve on the Task Force. The co-chairs may appoint additional temporary or advisory members as necessary to ensure subject-matter expertise and effective implementation. The Task Force shall be staffed by the Office of County Counsel and shall operate for a two-year period following its establishment.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This action supports the County's commitment to equitable service delivery by strengthening transparency, accountability, and independent oversight of County government operations. Ensuring that public resources are managed effectively and that performance information is accessible to all residents supports more equitable outcomes across all communities served by the County.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This action supports the County's long-term fiscal and operational sustainability by establishing independent oversight mechanisms and improving access to budget and performance information. Strengthening accountability structures and evidence-based decision-making supports responsible stewardship of public resources over time.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's actions and there will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years. There may be future fiscal impacts from related recommendations which staff would bring back to the Board for consideration and approval.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed Charter reforms do not create new regulatory burdens or costs for businesses. By improving transparency, fiscal discipline, and government effectiveness, the reforms are expected to foster a more stable, predictable, and competitive local economic environment.

ACTION 25.1:

In accordance with Rule 9 of the Board's Rules of Procedure, a motion was made by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, to overrule the Vice Chair's decision to move this item to be considered on Wednesday, May 20, 2026.

AYES: Anderson, Desmond

NOES: Aguirre, Montgomery Steppe

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

(Motion failed for lack of required affirmative votes.)

ACTION 25.2:

Noting for the record that this item was heard on May 20, 2026; a motion was made by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, for the Board of Supervisors to take action as recommended.

AYES: Anderson, Desmond

NOES: Aguirre, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe

(Motion failed for lack of required affirmative votes.)

**26. SUBJECT: SUPPORTING SAN DIEGO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES THROUGH
BRIDGE FUNDING FOR HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

Every year, thousands of San Diego children under five show early signs of developmental or behavioral delays, and for each of them, the window to intervene effectively is narrow. The First 5 Commission of San Diego (First 5) exists to make sure that support is there. Established under Proposition 10, First 5 uses dedicated tobacco tax revenue to fund early childhood programs that reach children from prenatal through age five, before small delays become lasting ones.

Among the most important of these investments is Healthy Development Services (HDS). For nearly two decades, HDS has helped fill a critical gap in care for children ages 0 to 5 with mild to moderate developmental and behavioral concerns who do not qualify for existing early intervention systems but still need timely support to stay on track. HDS helps families get help early, before delays become crises and before children fall further behind developmentally.

Due to declining Proposition 10 revenues, First 5 faces an ongoing structural funding challenge. First 5 has been developing a long-term fiscal strategy that is underway, and will be fully implemented in Fiscal Year FY 2027-28. In the interim two years, there is a significant gap that requires bridge funding to sustain services for children.

Without this bridge funding, First 5's HDS programs would be reduced by approximately 38% and nearly 3,350 children and families would lose access to critical services in the coming year,

many of whom have no other options for care. That means thousands of children missing occupational therapy, speech therapy, and developmental support during the most critical window of their development.

Last year, the Board approved a \$4.3 million transfer from the Tobacco Securitization Fund to prevent service cuts in FY 2025-26. Today's action is the second and final portion of this bridge strategy that covers FY 2026-27, while the transition to sustainable funding is completed.

Since last year's Board action, First 5 has developed a sustainable fiscal plan. That plan centers on a \$4 million annual partnership with the County's Child and Family Well-Being - a structural integration that embeds early childhood services into the County's own prevention infrastructure. Additional revenue from the Families First Prevention Services Act and Medi-Cal reimbursements further diversify the funding base. Together, these sources will allow First 5 to stabilize operations and transition HDS into a broader Integrated Prevention and Early Intervention Services model. The plan phases in beginning FY 2026-27 and reaches full funding in FY 2027-28.

Today's recommended action preserves continuity of HDS services through FY 2026-27, ensuring thousands of children remain connected to care while the new funding streams take effect.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHAIR TERRA LAWSON-REMER

Establish appropriations of \$4,300,000 in the Tobacco Securitization Special Revenue (12580), Operating Transfer Out, to fund First 5 Commission of San Diego for the Healthy Development Services and Integrated Prevention and Early Intervention Services program based on the available fund balance from the Tobacco Securitization Special Revenue Fund; and establish appropriations of \$4,300,000 in the Health and Human Services Agency, Services and Supplies, based on Operating Transfers In from the Tobacco Securitization Special Revenue Fund, to support the cost for First 5. This will create Proposition 10 funding capacity to avoid anticipated budget reductions for the Healthy Development Services and Integrated Prevention and Early Intervention Services program in Fiscal Year 2026-27. **(4 VOTES)**

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Children and adults with developmental delays and behavioral health conditions face a wide range of social inequities that hinder their access to resources and negatively impact their quality of life. Social stigma and deficient support systems create barriers to optimal educational attainment, employment opportunities, and healthcare access. This ultimately results in negative social outcomes, including higher rates of poverty, unemployment, housing insecurity, incarceration, and disease risk. HDS plays a vital role in identifying and working to address mild to moderate developmental and behavioral delays in children birth to five years of age. By focusing on early intervention, HDS helps get children back on track in meeting their developmental milestones and prevent mild to moderate delays from becoming severe delays that persist into adulthood and perpetuate associated negative social outcomes.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

With the adoption of this recommendation, the County of San Diego will support Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to services and resources, and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and well-being of everyone in the region. These actions will improve access to critical developmental screening and care services for children with mild to moderate developmental and behavioral delays and their caregivers. Access to these services will help address the needs of vulnerable children and families in the County of San Diego.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Operational Plan in Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), First 5. If approved this request will result in costs and revenue of \$4,300,000 in FY 2025-26 for HHSA to support the Healthy Development Services (HDS) and Integrated Prevention and Early Intervention Services (IPEI) programs under the First 5 Commission. The proposed funding source is the Tobacco Securitization Fund (TSF). Funds will be carried forward through the year-end process to support these programs in Fiscal Year 2026-27. Funds are not included in the Fiscal Year 2026-27 CAO Recommended Operational Plan. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

The TSF was established for the use of amounts received related to the securitization of tobacco settlement revenue due to the County of San Diego. This funding source is to be used for health-based program services and is anticipated to provide funding for these programs through Fiscal Year 2033-34, pending market conditions and the resulting return of the TSF. This additional draw on the TSF should not materially impact the life of the TSF, though may push forward the date funds are exhausted by a few months.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

27. SUBJECT: STANDING UP FOR SAN DIEGO'S RESEARCH AND INNOVATION ECONOMY BY SUPPORTING SB 895 (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

San Diego County has built a world class biomedical research and life sciences innovation hub through decades of sustained investment in its research universities and institutions, its scientific and technical workforce, and its ecosystem of entrepreneurs and companies committed to turning scientific discovery into real treatments and technologies. Today, the foundations of San Diego's innovation engine are under threat. The current federal administration has targeted scientific research and development (R&D) funding for major cuts. Thousands of previously awarded grants have been cancelled or suspended, new grant awards have slowed to a trickle, and next year's budget request proposes even steeper cuts across the entire federal R&D enterprise.

San Diego County has been hard hit. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) alone sends over \$1 billion to the region annually, supporting more than 1,700 active research projects at UC San Diego, Scripps Research Institute, Salk Institute for Biological Studies, Sanford Burnham Prebys Medical Discovery Institute, San Diego State University, and a hundred startups and smaller research organizations. Other federal R&D funding streams add hundreds of millions more-In 2024, UC San Diego by itself received \$350 million in federal R&D funding from agencies other than the NIH. These investments have a flywheel effect, pulling in an additional \$3.5 billion in venture capital and foreign direct investment annually and attracting world class researchers, graduate students, and technical personnel into our labs and startups.

Federal R&D funding cuts have real consequences for the people of San Diego. The biomedical and life sciences industry supports more than 160,000 good local jobs and contributes over \$54 billion to regional economic output every year. When the flywheel of federal funding starts running in reverse, entrepreneurs can't raise their next round, lab vendors lose contracts, talented graduate students and postdocs abandon promising careers, leading researchers decamp for more supportive countries, and patients lose access to life-saving clinical trials. Long term, the pace of biomedical innovation slows, making all of us poorer and sicker than we otherwise would be.

California State Senate Bill 895 (SB 895), the California Foundation for Science and Health Research Bond Act, authored by Senator Scott Weiner, is a promising legislative effort to protect California's R&D leadership. SB 895 creates a new state-level institution, the California Foundation for Science and Health Research, and authorizes up to \$23 billion in State of California General Obligation Bonds to fund grants, loans, and facilities for biomedical, environmental, agricultural, and clean energy R&D. Crucially, this funding does not take effect unless California voters approve it at the ballot. The bill mandates annual independent audits reviewed by the State Controller, full public disclosure of all grant awards, and annual reporting on outcomes - a fiscally responsible framework for a moment that demands action.

Given San Diego County's strength in biomedical and life sciences research, it stands to be a major beneficiary of SB 895. For the postdoctoral researcher whose NIH grant was cancelled or the biotech founder whose pipeline depends on university-based science, SB 895 invests in making their work possible. For nonprofit institutes like Scripps, Salk, and Sanford Burnham Prebys who rely heavily on external grants, SB 895 provides critical revenue diversification. For lab technicians, facilities staff, and the broad scientific and technical workforce, SB 895 sustains the middle-class job base that San Diego's economy quietly relies on. For patients and the general public, SB 895 accelerates research on diseases that touch nearly every family at some point - cancer, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, ALS, and more - while ensuring that pharmaceuticals developed with bond-funded research be made available to Californians at a discount or at cost. And it invests in solutions to pressing local challenges such as wildfire prevention, mental and behavioral health, coastal and marine ecosystem and resource management, and agricultural production. SB 895 has broad support within the San Diego delegation, with Senators Blakespear, Padilla, and Weber Pierson and Assemblymember Ward listed as sponsors. The University of California and UAW affiliates representing UC San Diego workers have endorsed as well.

Supporting San Diego's innovation engine is an important interest of County government - one that touches economic vitality, public health, and the quality of life of every San Diegan. The Board of Supervisors is already on record expressing concern about the federal administration's

R&D cuts. Today's item is about taking action. It recommends that the County of San Diego use its voice in Sacramento to advocate for SB 895. Our research institutions, our workforce, our entrepreneurs, and our patients are counting on San Diego County to stand up when the federal government steps back.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHAIR TERRA LAWSON-REMER

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to express the County's support for State Senate Bill 895, consistent with Board Policy M-2.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's action promises to advance equity by supporting legislation that, if enacted and approved by voters, would help to support R&D on medical and environmental health issues impacting underserved groups. Such lines of inquiry have been severely curtailed under the current federal administration.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

SB 895 promises to advance sustainability through funding R&D related to climate change, wildfire prevention, weather, oceans, coastal and marine ecosystems and resources, agriculture and water.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation. There will be no change in the net General Fund cost and no additional staff years associated with today's action. The recommendation to support SB 895 is a legislative advocacy action and does not obligate the County to issue debt, implement or fund any programs.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

By virtue of being one of the leading biomedical research and innovation hubs in the country, San Diego businesses are positioned to be a leading beneficiary of this major new state-level funding stream. Potentially billions in state dollars could flow into San Diego's universities, research institutes, and startups.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Aguirre, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

NOT PRESENT: Anderson

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

28. SUBJECT: A NEW HEALTHCARE PARTNERSHIP TO DELIVER HOMELESS SERVICES AND SAVE MILLIONS IN COUNTY TAXPAYER DOLLARS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

This item is part of a broader effort by the County to identify every reasonable efficiency, cost-saving opportunity, and new revenue source before any service reductions are considered. This effort has already produced millions in ongoing savings through modernizing County communications technology, centralizing space management, and right-sizing our vehicle fleet.

For decades, local governments have paid for homeless outreach while the healthcare system paid for the downstream consequences, including emergency room visits and crisis care. The California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) initiative, California's landmark Medi-Cal reform, begins to change that equation. For the first time, the healthcare system will pay for housing-focused services that help people move off the streets and stay stably housed, including housing navigation, security deposit assistance, and housing tenancy sustaining services.

These are services the County is already delivering. The County's Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) is a team of social workers, analysts, and specialists who conduct homeless outreach, case management, and housing referrals across the region. Since launching in 2021, OHS has spearheaded outreach and street case management in the unincorporated communities and regionwide in partnership with the local cities through OHS Regional Homeless Services. OHS also implemented the County's safe parking programs at three locations and is advancing the County's first emergency shelter, the Troy Street sleeping cabins. OHS also advanced multiple programs for seniors, youth, people with disabilities, LGBTQ+ and justice involved individuals and is administering the State's HomeSafe and Encampment Resolution grants.

An estimated 90% of OHS clients are Medi-Cal eligible. This is the same population the healthcare system is now tasked with supporting through CalAIM. The County has long worked at the intersection of homelessness and behavioral health; this partnership creates the funding structure to match that reality. Importantly, the County remains committed to ensuring service delivery for all populations, including those who do not meet Medi-Cal reimbursement criteria, and will design its outreach and service model accordingly.

The OHS Regional Homeless Services team carries an estimated annual budget of approximately \$7.1 million, costs that have historically been funded primarily by County taxpayers. By contracting with Managed Care Plans, the County can bill the healthcare system for services our social workers are already delivering and use that revenue to offset costs. The County has already launched an initial four-person pilot to test billing and administrative processes. This year, the County secured \$1.7 million through the Providing Access and Transforming Health Capacity and Infrastructure Transition, Expansion and Development (PATH CITED) initiative, which requires a 50% local match, for a total of \$3.5 million to support associated OHS costs. PATH CITED is a state-administered grant program designed to help counties build the billing infrastructure, data systems, and staff training needed to participate in CalAIM. This will cover a portion of OHS costs during that ramp-up period and position the full team to begin billing in 2027.

Today's action directs the Chief Administrative Officer to expand the CalAIM pilot across the full OHS Regional Homeless Services team and authorizes the County to negotiate contracts with Managed Care Plans to begin billing for these services countywide.

The OHS Regional Homeless Services case management and housing navigation work has historically been funded primarily by County taxpayers. This partnership changes that. This year, the \$3.5 million state grant offsets nearly half of the projected OHS costs while staff are trained and systems come online. Beginning in 2027, as OHS transitions to full billing with Managed Care Plans, projections indicate up to \$5.6 million in ongoing annual Medi-Cal revenue, potentially offsetting up to 78% of OHS Regional Homeless Services costs, depending on final service design and population mix. These are projections; the County will work carefully with Managed Care Plans and its own departments to design a service model that maximizes reimbursement while ensuring no one in need is left without outreach and support. Every dollar the healthcare system contributes to this work is a dollar the County can direct toward other services our residents depend on. Every new revenue stream we secure today preserves our ability to sustain health, housing, and safety net programs when it matters most. This healthcare partnership is how we stay ready.

RECOMMENDATION

SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER AND SUPERVISOR MONICA MONTGOMERY STEPPE

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to expand the CalAIM pilot across the full Office of Homeless Solutions social work team, develop a service design model that maximizes Medi-Cal reimbursement while maintaining outreach and support for all populations including those not Medi-Cal eligible, and negotiate and execute contracts with San Diego's four Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans for the provision of Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports services.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

CalAIM creates an opportunity to direct more resources toward the populations the County's homeless outreach system was built to serve. People experiencing homelessness are disproportionately low-income, face significant behavioral health challenges, and are more likely to be people of color, the same populations Medi-Cal was designed to support. By aligning OHS operations with CalAIM, the County can sustain and expand services for its highest-need residents while reducing the fiscal pressure that can force difficult tradeoffs between programs. The County is committed to ensuring that CalAIM reimbursement does not narrow the scope of who OHS serves. Service design will prioritize maintaining outreach and support for all populations, including those who do not meet Medi-Cal eligibility criteria, so that fiscal opportunity does not come at the cost of equitable access.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This partnership directly strengthens the long-term sustainability of the County's homeless services. Homeless outreach funded entirely by General Purpose Revenue is vulnerable to budget pressures, federal retrenchment, and competing priorities. By diversifying OHS's funding base through Medi-Cal reimbursement, the County reduces that vulnerability and creates a more durable foundation for ongoing outreach and housing support services.

Beginning in 2027, projected Medi-Cal revenue of up to \$5.6 million annually represents a recurring, structural offset, rather than a one-time grant, that grows as CalAIM services expand across the OHS team. The County will continue modeling service configurations and reimbursement scenarios to maximize long-term revenue while maintaining service quality and population coverage.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the actions requested are included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan based on existing staff time in the Office of Homeless Solutions funded by existing General Purpose Revenue and social services administrative revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years. There may be fiscal impacts associated with future related recommendations which staff would return to the Board for consideration and approval.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

NOT PRESENT: Anderson

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

**29. SUBJECT: STRENGTHENING WAGE THEFT ENFORCEMENT TO RECOVER
STOLEN WAGES AND PROTECT WORKING FAMILIES
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

Across San Diego County, workers are losing wages they have rightfully earned due to wage theft. Wage theft is a widespread and persistent problem affecting low-wage workers, immigrant communities, and workers in industries where violations often go unseen or unreported. This loss of income impacts residents' ability to pay for basic necessities including rent, groceries, childcare, and healthcare for their families. When workers are underpaid, denied overtime, or not paid at all, the impact is harmful and immediate and forces families to absorb financial losses they cannot afford and perpetuates the consequences of poverty.

Wage theft is a pervasive and pernicious issue across the United States. Research published in the journal *Preventive Medicine* found that some employers in the United States steal tens of billions of dollars annually through wage theft, with total financial losses exceeding those from all other forms of property crimes combined. Local data also underscores the scale of this issue. In San Diego County, more than \$29 million in unpaid wage theft judgments have accumulated since 2017, representing wages that workers have already been legally awarded through court judgements but have not yet received. This gap between judgment and recovery highlights a fundamental breakdown in enforcement and access to justice. A regional survey of hourly workers found that 87% experienced some form of wage theft within a calendar year, with many experiencing violations regularly. Despite the prevalence of these violations, awareness was

critically low, as most affected workers did not recognize that they had experienced wage theft and nearly 90% of surveyed community members did not know where to report violations. Even when workers successfully navigate the system and obtain a legal judgment in their favor, recovery is far from guaranteed.

On May 4, 2021 (23) the Board of Supervisors (Board) established the Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement (OLSE) to begin addressing these gaps by providing education, outreach, and enforcement support within the County's jurisdiction. In carrying out this mission, the County's Wage Theft Enforcement Program investigates allegations of unpaid wages and other labor standard violations, supports workers through intake and case review, and coordinates enforcement actions to secure wages owed in collaboration with the Office of County Counsel and the District Attorney's Office. Through strategic investigations, employer engagement, and targeted outreach, the program helps hold employers accountable, promotes compliance, and ensures workers receive the wages they have earned.

Since its creation, OLSE has taken on a growing number of cases, partnered with community organizations, and developed innovative tools such as the first Workplace Justice Fund in the United States to provide financial resources to impacted workers. The Fund provides short-term relief to workers who have already obtained legal judgments for unpaid wages but remain unable to collect from their employers, while the County pursues recovery on workers' behalf. These efforts demonstrate both the demand for services and the County's ability to play a meaningful role in protecting workers and supporting fair workplaces.

While these efforts have been important, the scale of wage theft continues to outpace existing resources. With limited investigative capacity, enforcement remains largely reactive, and many workers never receive the wages they are owed. Additionally, responsible businesses are placed at a disadvantage when competitors cut costs through illegal labor practices. Strengthening enforcement protects workers and reinforces a level playing field for employers who follow the law.

This Board action represents a targeted and necessary next step in advancing workplace justice in San Diego County. By expanding investigative capacity, strengthening coordination with the Office of County Counsel, enhancing community awareness, and evaluating opportunities to scale the Wage Theft Enforcement Program and Workplace Justice Fund, the County can advance a more proactive, accessible, and effective wage theft enforcement system. Together, these actions aim to ensure workers retain every dollar they've earned and help protect working families from the destabilizing effects of poverty.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHAIR PRO TEM PALOMA AGUIRRE

1. Authorize the addition of two (2.0) full-time equivalent (FTE) positions within the Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement (OLSE) to expand the County's capacity to investigate wage theft complaints, enforce labor standards, and recover unpaid wages owed to workers, and to expand community outreach and education efforts, the Wage Theft Enforcement Program, and Workplace Justice Fund. Authorize the Department of Human Resources to classify the positions at the appropriate level, and refer to budget the appropriation of \$300,000 based on General Purpose Revenue.

2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to implement an expanded enforcement and engagement strategy within the Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement that includes:
 - a. Increased investigative capacity to address wage theft complaints;
 - b. Enhanced enforcement of local and state labor standards; and
 - c. Expanded community outreach and education efforts, including:
 - i. The design and implementation, in coordination with County Counsel, of a comprehensive public awareness and Know Your Rights campaign on wage theft;
 - ii. Efforts to increase awareness of worker protections, reporting mechanisms, and available County resources, including the Wage Theft Enforcement Program and Workplace Justice Fund, through culturally competent, multilingual, and community-based outreach; and
 - iii. Engagement strategies tailored to workers and industries at heightened risk of wage theft, including partnerships with trusted community-based organizations and worker-serving institutions
3. Direct County Counsel, in coordination with the CAO and the Director of OLSE, to strengthen wage theft enforcement through enhanced legal coordination, including:
 - a. Streamlining referral processes between OLSE and the Office of County Counsel;
 - b. Expanding litigation pathways to pursue wage theft violations and recover unpaid wages; and
 - c. Identifying and assigning appropriate legal resources to support a more proactive and effective enforcement strategy.
4. Direct the CAO to evaluate opportunities to strengthen and expand the Wage Theft Enforcement Program and Workplace Justice Fund, including:
 - a. Identifying sustainable funding sources, such as penalties, fees, settlements, grants, and other revenue streams associated with wage theft enforcement;
 - b. Assessing strategies to increase access to these programs for workers with unpaid wage judgments;
 - c. Evaluating strategies to improve the efficiency and timeliness of employer-side collection and cost-recovery efforts as enforcement capacity expands; and
 - d. Identifying opportunities to align these programs with expanded enforcement efforts to maximize recovery and direct financial relief to impacted workers.
5. Direct the CAO to report back to the Board within 120 days with a written update on implementation of this Board action, including progress on staffing, enforcement, outreach, public awareness efforts, Wage Theft Enforcement Program and Workplace Justice Fund improvements, and any additional resource or policy recommendations for Board consideration.
6. Direct the CAO to express the County's support for State Assembly Bill 1838, consistent with Board Policy M-2.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Wage theft disproportionately harms low-wage workers, immigrant communities, women, and workers of color. These populations already face structural barriers to economic mobility and legal protections. Many impacted workers are employed in industries with high rates of

exploitation and are less likely to report violations due to fear of retaliation, language barriers, or lack of access to legal resources. As a result, those most vulnerable are often the least likely to recover wages they are rightfully owed. Expanding the County's enforcement capacity through additional staffing and targeted outreach directly addresses these inequities by increasing access to justice, improving recovery outcomes, and ensuring that all workers regardless of background are protected and paid for their labor.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action to expand wage theft enforcement strengthens economic, social, and health sustainability by ensuring workers receive earned income that supports household stability and community well-being. When wages are withheld, families are more likely to rely on public assistance, increasing strain on County systems and undermining long-term economic resilience. This initiative advances County Sustainability Goals by promoting just and equitable access to protections, supporting economic stability, and protecting health and wellbeing through reduced financial stress and insecurity. Strengthened enforcement also supports a fair and competitive business environment, discouraging unlawful practices and reinforcing responsible economic activity across industries.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 for the addition of 2.0 staff years as requested in Recommendation 1. If approved, there will be ongoing costs and revenue of \$300,000 starting FY 2026-27 that will be referred to budget deliberations in the Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement based on available General Purpose Revenue. Subsequent fiscal year costs will be included in future years Operational Plans based on available funding.

Funds for the actions requested in Recommendations 2-6 are included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan and the Fiscal Year 2026-27 CAO Recommended Operational Plan based on existing staff time in the Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement, Office of County Counsel, and the Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs (EDGA) funded by existing General Purpose Revenue. At this time, there will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years associated with these recommendations. There may be fiscal impacts associated with future related recommendations which staff would return to the Board for consideration and approval.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

Strengthening wage theft enforcement promotes a fair and competitive business environment by holding all employers to the same labor standards. Unlawful practices such as wage theft disadvantage businesses that comply with the law and invest in their workforce, creating an uneven playing field across industries. Expanding investigative capacity will improve enforcement outcomes and reinforce accountability, while also supporting long-term compliance. At the same time, OLSE provides education, training, and resources to help businesses understand and meet their obligations to their workforce. This approach balances enforcement with support, fostering responsible business practices and a more stable and equitable local economy.

ACTION:

This item was withdrawn at the request of Chair Pro Tem Paloma Aguirre.

**30. SUBJECT: ADDRESSING HOUSING NEEDS FOR TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH
EXITING FOSTER CARE (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

Each year in San Diego County, young adults exit the foster care system without the stable housing, family support, or financial resources needed to successfully transition into adulthood. For many, this moment represents not a new beginning, but a point of heightened vulnerability. Without intervention, a significant number of these young adults will experience homelessness within months, often entering a cycle that becomes increasingly difficult to break.

Transitional Age Youth (TAY) who have experienced foster care frequently face compounded challenges, including trauma, limited employment opportunities, and unmet behavioral health needs. Traditional housing solutions are often not designed to meet these unique circumstances, leaving a critical gap between systems of care and long-term housing stability. The State of California's Homekey+ program provides an opportunity to address this gap by supporting housing models that combine stable, permanent housing with integrated services for people living with behavioral health challenges, including mental health and/or substance use challenges, and who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness (including Veterans and Youth).

In the City of Vista, Dignity Moves, in partnership with Casa de Amparo, TrueCare, and the City of Vista, is advancing a Homekey+ project to develop 35 units of permanent supportive housing specifically for Transitional Age Youth (ages 18-25) exiting foster care in San Diego. This project would also include on-site medical and behavioral health services, education and employment services, and case management.

Today's action requests authorization to commit up to \$1.8 million in one-time County funding from Unlocked Reserves, subject to the award of Homekey+ funding, to help close a remaining funding gap, leverage over \$10 million in State investment, and support a project designed to provide not only housing, but a pathway to stability, independence, and long-term success.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

**SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND AND VICE-CHAIR MONICA MONTGOMERY
STEPPE**

1. Find in accordance with Section 15060(c)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, that the actions described herein are administrative in nature and not a project as defined by the state CEQA Guidelines Section 15378.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer or designee to include \$1.8 million within the Unlocked Reserves Framework for the purpose of providing affordable housing funding to support Homekey+ acquisition, rehabilitation, and development. Disbursement of funds shall be contingent upon successful appraisal review, underwriting, financial feasibility review, and an award of funding through the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). If Homekey+ funds are not awarded, County funds would not be used.
3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer or designee to identify, allocate, and transfer \$1.8 million in available appropriations within HHSA to Housing and Community Development Services as needed, based on Unlocked Reserves. Appropriation identified

will be based on third quarter operating results tied to appropriation capacity and related funding that is not anticipated to be used, with no impact to services or the General Fund. We are bringing this simultaneously with the CAO's third quarter status update and budget adjustments in alignment with the Board's January 28, 2026 decision that use of the Unlocked Reserves is aligned with the annual and quarterly budget adjustment process.

4. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer or designee, subject to successful negotiations and upon demonstrated award of Homekey+ funds, successful appraisal review, underwriting, financial feasibility review, to execute a grant agreement in the amount of up to \$1,800,000 with Dignity Moves and Casa de Amparo and the City of Vista or an affiliate thereof to support one Homekey+ development, and to execute any subsequent amendments thereto, and find that pursuant to Government Code section 26227, that the grant program is necessary to meet the social needs of the County's population in the area of health and rehabilitation.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action supports Transitional Age Youth exiting foster care, a population that experiences disproportionately high rates of housing instability and homelessness. Providing stable housing paired with supportive services promotes equitable outcomes and improves long-term stability in housing, health, and employment.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's proposed actions support the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access by ensuring affordable housing developments are restricted to Transitional Age Youth by partnering with other local governmental entities and community partners, with the mutual goal to serve vulnerable populations that have been disproportionately impacted by poverty.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan for Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will identify transfers and allocations of \$1.8 million in appropriations within the Health and Human Services Agency that are based on operational savings and the one-time use of Unlocked Reserves as a local funding match for providing affordable housing to support Homekey+ projects, subject to successful appraisal review, underwriting, financial feasibility review, and an award of Homekey+ funding from the State. The funding source is prior year Unrestricted General Fund Balance made available as Unlocked Reserves. There will be no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

NOT PRESENT: Anderson

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

**31. SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 THIRD QUARTER OPERATIONAL PLAN
STATUS REPORT, BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS, AND AUTHORITY TO
EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH FEEDING SAN DIEGO
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

This report summarizes the status of the County of San Diego's (County) Fiscal Year 2025-26 Adopted Operational Plan, as measured by projected year-end fund balance from current year operations. The projected year-end balance for the General Fund is \$25.2 million (or 0.3% of the General Fund budget). The projected year-end balance for all other funds combined is \$61.3 million (2.0% of the other funds combined budget). For all budgetary funds combined, the projected year-end balance is \$86.5 million (or 0.8% of the overall budget). The projected fund balance anticipates an overall positive expenditure variance and an overall negative revenue variance from the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Amended Budget. The projection assumes General Purpose Revenue (GPR) will perform better than estimated, and business groups will produce operating balances, except for Public Safety Group where a negative variance is projected due to higher than anticipated staffing costs associated with the implementation of Proposition 36 and cost overruns with the current medical contract for offsite hospital care, and revenue variances due to grant funded activities that will be deferred to the next fiscal year.

Transfers and revisions to the adopted appropriations can be made by formal action of the Board of Supervisors (Board) in accordance with the California County Budget Act, and specifically, Government Code Section 29125. Increases to the overall budget require four votes. Transfers of appropriations between departments within the same budgetary fund that do not increase the overall budget, or the cancellation of appropriations require a majority vote. Transfers of appropriations to facilitate transfers between budgetary funds require four votes even if the overall budget is not increased.

In the Public Safety Group (PSG), recommendations include appropriation and program revenue increases for staffing costs to support Proposition 36 (Prop 36), *The Homelessness, Drug Addiction, and Theft Reduction Act* implementation, information technology modernization projects, tenant improvements for Regional Auto Theft Task Force (RATT), staffing and operational costs related to Consumer Protection activities, staffing and operational costs associated with grant programs, County Service Area 69, payment to State Court Facilities Construction Fund, and for contractual psychological services for clients.

In the Land Use and Environment Group (LUEG), recommendations include appropriation adjustments for consultant contracts, road maintenance projects, for the Rainbow Water Quality Improvement Project, and for South Mission Road North Project 1.

In the Finance and General Government Group (FGG), recommendations include appropriation adjustments to recognize interest earned on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRANs), one-time IT costs, for returned grant funds from the Community Enhancement and Neighborhood Reinvestment Program to be allocated to new projects, and for the land acquisition of Iron Mountain County Preserve.

Today's action also includes recommendation related to the appropriation of Unlocked Reserves, including:

- The transfer of appropriations for expanded funding of the Innovative Housing Trust Fund and for Feeding San Diego, based on the advice and guidance of the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Sustainable Fiscal Planning (Subcommittee) per direction given to the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) during the January 28, 2026 (21) meeting.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Accept the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Third Quarter Report on projected year-end results.

Increases to the Overall Budget and/or Transfers Between Budgetary Funds (Recommendations 2 through 17):

2. Increase the Sheriff's Office budget by \$2,170,000 to support increases in overtime staffing costs due to Proposition 36 implementation and \$2,000,000 in the District Attorney's Office to support information technology modernization projects based on available fund balance from Proposition 172. There will also be an increase to the budget in the Proposition 172 (Prop 172) Special Revenue Fund by \$4,170,000 to support costs in the Sheriff's Office and the District Attorney's Office.
 - Establish appropriations of \$4,170,000 in the Proposition 172 Special Revenue Fund, Operating Transfers Out, to the Sheriff's Office for increased staffing costs as a result of Proposition 36, *The Homelessness, Drug Addiction, and Theft Reduction Act* implementation (\$2,170,000) and to support the District Attorney's Office one-time expenses for information technology modernization projects (\$2,000,000), based on available fund balance from the Proposition 172 Special Revenue Fund. **(4 VOTES)**
 - Establish appropriations of \$2,170,000 in the Sheriff's Office, Salaries & Benefits, to support increased costs as a result of Proposition 36, *The Homelessness, Drug Addiction, and Theft Reduction Act* implementation, based on an Operating Transfers In from the Proposition 172 Special Revenue Fund. **(4 VOTES)**
 - Establish appropriations of \$2,000,000 in the District Attorney's Office, Services & Supplies, for one-time expenses associated with information technology modernization projects, based on an Operating Transfers In from the Proposition 172 Special Revenue Fund. **(4 VOTES)**
3. Increase the District Attorney's Office budget by \$1,500,000 for one-time expenses for tenant improvements for Regional Auto Theft Task Force (RATT).
 - Establish appropriations of \$1,500,000 in the District Attorney's Office, Services & Supplies, for one-time expenses associated with tenant improvements of the Regional Auto Theft Task Force (RATT) facility, based on available funds from fees collected pursuant to California Code, Vehicle Code - VEH Section 9250.14. **(4 VOTES)**

4. Increase the District Attorney's Office budget by \$1,900,000 for staffing and operational costs related to Consumer Protection activities and investigations based on available current year funds from County Proposition 64 Consumer Fraud Fund.
 - Establish appropriations of \$1,900,000 in the District Attorney's Office, Salaries & Benefits (\$400,000), Services & Supplies (\$800,000), and Capital Assets (\$700,000) to support Consumer Protection activities and investigations based on available funds from County Proposition 64 Consumer Fraud Fund. **(4 VOTES)**
5. Increase the District Attorney's Office budget by \$1,300,000 to support staffing and operational costs associated with grant programs from various State and federal funding sources.
 - Establish appropriations of \$1,300,000 in the District Attorney's Office, Salaries & Benefits (\$620,000), Services & Supplies (\$680,000), to support provisional help and operational costs associated with competitively awarded grants, based on the State of California, Department of Insurance (\$1,000,000) and Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (\$100,000), and Office on Violence Against Women (\$200,000). **(4 VOTES)**
6. Establish appropriations in County Service Area 69 to transfer available fund balance from County Service Area 69 to the City of Santee and Lakeside Fire Protection District.
 - Establish appropriations of \$500,000 in County Service Area 69, Contributions to Other Agencies, for the transfer of funds to the City of Santee and Lakeside Fire Protection District based on the available fund balance from County Service Area 69. **(4 VOTES)**
7. Increase the Courthouse Construction Special Revenue Fund budget by \$215,000 for fines, forfeitures and penalties that were collected after final Hall of Justice debt service payment and must be remitted to the State Court Facilities Construction Fund.
 - Establish appropriations of \$215,000 in the Courthouse Construction Special Revenue Fund, Other Charges, for payment to State Court Facilities Construction Fund, based on fines, forfeitures and penalties. **(4 VOTES)**
8. Increase the Office of the Public Defender's budget by \$168,509 to support its Holistic Service Unit by embedding contracted services for one psychologist within the unit. The psychologist will provide integrated behavioral health services for clients experiencing mental health disorders by working collaboratively with attorneys, investigators, social workers, and substance abuse assessors to provide clinical evaluation, ongoing treatment recommendations, consultation and attorney training; the funding source is a State grant awarded by the Office of the State Public Defender.
 - Establish appropriations of \$168,509 in Services & Supplies, for psychological services based on a State grant awarded by the Office of the State Public Defender on December 18, 2025. **(4 VOTES)**
9. Increase the budget by \$34,797 in the Alta Loma Permanent Road Division No. 105 for road resurfacing maintenance.
 - Establish appropriations of \$34,797 in the Department of Public Works (DPW) Permanent Road Division (PRD) No. 105 - Alta Loma Drive, Services & Supplies, for road maintenance based on available prior year fund balance within PRD No. 105 - Alta Loma Drive. **(4 VOTES)**

10. Increase the budget by \$44,751 in the Zone A Alta Loma Permanent Road Division No. 105A for road resurfacing maintenance.
 - Establish appropriations of \$44,751 in the Department of Public Works (DPW) Permanent Road Division (PRD) No. 105A - Zone A Alta Loma Drive, Services & Supplies, for road maintenance based on available prior year fund balance within Zone A Alta Loma Drive. **(4 VOTES)**
11. Transfer funds from the Department of Public Works (DPW) General Fund to Road Fund in the amount of \$1,506,118 for construction of the Rainbow Water Quality Improvement Project.
 - Transfer appropriations of \$1,506,118 within Department of Public Works General fund, Services & Supplies to Operating Transfers Out; *and* establish appropriations of \$1,506,118 in the Road Fund, Services & Supplies, for the Rainbow Water Quality Improvement Project, based on Operating Transfer In from General Fund. **(4 VOTES)**
12. Transfer funds from the Department of Public Works General Fund to Road Fund in the amount of \$1,157,975 for construction of the South Mission Road North Project 1.
 - Transfer appropriations of \$1,157,975 within Department of Public Works General fund, Services & Supplies to Operating Transfers Out; *and* establish appropriations of \$1,157,975 in the Road Fund, Services & Supplies, for the South Mission Road North Project 1, based on an Operating Transfer In from General Fund. **(4 VOTES)**
13. Increase the budget in Finance Other to recognize the interest earned on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRANs) funds, which will be applied towards the TRANs obligation payment.
 - Establish appropriations of \$7,158,888 in Finance Other, Other Charges, based on unanticipated interest earned and premium received to apply towards the TRANs obligation payment. **(4 VOTES)**
14. Increase the Treasurer-Tax Collector's budget for one-time IT costs related to the decommission of the physical data center.
 - Establish appropriations of \$1,600,000 in the Treasurer-Tax Collector's Office, Services & Supplies, based on over-realized Property Tax System Administration (\$1,300,000) and Banking Pool (\$300,000) revenues for one-time IT costs related to the decommission of the physical data center. **(4 VOTES)**
15. Allow returned grant funds of \$8,285 from the Community Enhancement Program and \$65,164 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program to be allocated to new projects by establishing appropriations in the respective grant program budgets in the current fiscal year.
 - Establish appropriations of \$8,285 in the Community Enhancement Program budget Org 12900 (\$4,930 for District 3, \$3,302 for District 4 and \$53 for District 5), Other Charges, based on unused portions of prior year allocations so the funds can be allocated to other projects. **(4 VOTES)**
 - Establish appropriations of \$65,164 in the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (\$98 for District 1 in Org 15650, \$22,805 for District 2 in Org 15655, \$9,589 for District 3 in Org 15660, \$28,344 for District 4 in Org 15665, and \$4,328 for District 5 in Org 15670), Other Charges, based on unused portions of prior year allocations so the funds can be allocated to other projects. **(4 VOTES)**

16. This recommendation is a technical adjustment that reclassifies departmental maintenance and capital spending plans based on capitalization thresholds. The result is a net increase of budget in the Major Maintenance Capital Outlay Fund (MMCOF) of \$8,425,399.
- Transfer appropriations within departments between Services & Supplies and Operating Transfers Out, as noted in Appendix D, in the net amount of \$8,425,399 for major maintenance projects listed in Appendix D that were subsequently reclassified, based on capitalization thresholds, for financial reporting purposes; and establish, transfer and cancel appropriations, as noted in Appendix D for a net increase of \$8,425,399.
- (4 VOTES)**
17. Transfer funds from Finance Other, which was approved by the Board of Supervisors (Board) on March 3, 2026 (13), to the Multiple Species Conservation Plan (MSCP) Acquisition Fund for the purchase of Iron Mountain County Preserve, approved by the Board on April 22, 2026 (6).
- Transfer appropriations of \$2,000,000 from Finance Other, Services & Supplies, to Contribution to Capital Outlay Fund, Operating Transfers Out; *and* establish appropriations of \$2,000,000 in MSCP, to properly record the purchase of Iron Mountain County Preserve land acquisition, based on an Operating Transfer In from the General Fund from previously approved Unlocked Reserves. **(4 VOTES)**

**Transfers Within Budgetary Funds and/or Cancellation of Appropriations
(Recommendations 18 through 21):**

18. Transfer project costs from the Department of Parks and Recreation to the Department of Public Works for the temporary pipe extension at Saturn Boulevard.
- Transfer appropriations of \$2,500,000 from Department of Parks and Recreation, Services & Supplies, to Department of Public Works, Services & Supplies to fund construction of a temporary pipe extension at Saturn Boulevard, based on previously approved Unlocked Reserves.
19. Transfer appropriations from Finance Other to the Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk (ARCC) to properly record one-time costs related to the County's property tax systems.
- Transfer appropriations of \$12,000,000 from Finance Other, Services & Supplies, to the Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk, Services & Supplies, to properly record one-time costs for the County's property tax system based on previously approved use of Unlocked Reserves.
20. Transfer appropriations of \$217,260 from Finance Other to the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) for one-time start-up costs for the Bonsall Community Park.
- Transfer appropriations of \$217,260 from Finance Other, Services & Supplies, to Department of Parks and Recreation, for one-time start-up costs for the Bonsall Community Park based on one-time General Purpose Revenue previously allocated to and no longer needed for other land use projects.
21. Cancel the remaining budget of Capital Projects that are anticipated to be completed or cancelled by the end of the Fiscal Year. The remaining funds will be returned to the original funding sources.

- Cancel appropriations and related revenue of up to \$3,488,656.08 as noted in Schedule C for Capital Projects that will be completed/cancelled and closed by the end of Fiscal Year 2025-26. This is composed of \$3,488,656.08 in the Capital Outlay Fund.

Recommendation on use of Unlocked Reserves based on advice and guidance of the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Sustainable Fiscal Planning

(Recommendations 22 through 23):

22. Transfer appropriations of \$23,222,944 for the use of Unlocked Reserves in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 based on the advice and guidance of the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Sustainable Fiscal Planning (Subcommittee) per direction given to the CAO during the January 28, 2026 (21) meeting. This item will transfer appropriations based on operational savings with no impact to existing services or the General Fund.
 - Transfer and allocate appropriations of \$23,222,944 to Housing and Community Development Services, Services & Supplies, for expanded funding of the Innovative Housing Trust Fund (\$22,222,944) including production and preservation of affordable housing and to Self-Sufficiency Services, Services & Supplies, for Feeding San Diego (\$1,000,000) to support hunger-relief efforts in San Diego County, based on Unlocked Reserves. This transfer and allocation of appropriations is based on operational savings within Behavioral Health Services, with appropriation capacity and related funding that is not anticipated to be used. As a result, there is no impact to services or the General Fund and no increase in the overall budget. The use of Unlocked Reserves is recommended based on San Diego County Administrative Code Section 113.1 for time-sensitive operational expenditures. This follows Board direction to develop proposals to utilize Unlocked Reserves for FY 2025-26 in coordination with and with the advice and guidance of the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Sustainable Fiscal Planning (Subcommittee), and to present recommended appropriations to the Board for consideration as part of the quarterly budget adjustments.
23. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, upon successful negotiations, to execute a grant agreement with Feeding San Diego in an amount of up to \$1,000,000 to support hunger relief efforts, and find, in accordance with Government Code section 26227, that such program is necessary to meet the social needs of the population.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

After the Board of Supervisors (Board) adopts the Operational Plan, it is monitored by the departments, Groups, and the Board. Departments are expected to work within their respective budgets. Budgets may, however, be modified during the year as circumstances warrant. In conjunction with the fund balance projection process, the Chief Administrative Officer meets with each Group to review accomplishments, emergent issues, and budget status. Department

heads are required to communicate any potential problems or errors to the appropriate authority. Groups complete fund balance projections quarterly providing explanations of significant variances of their budget. The recommended actions are intended to provide resources to address inequities in County of San Diego (County) services and to identify disparities, develop meaningful outcomes, and create a County government culture of equity, belonging, and racial justice.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions support the sustainability measures across the County of San Diego (County) considering the environment, economy, health/wellbeing, and/or social aspects of the community by aligning the County's available resources with services to maintain fiscal stability and ensure long-term solvency.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds associated with today's recommendations are partially included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Operational Plan. If approved, in the General Fund these actions will result in an increase to the overall budget of \$17,870,846, transfers between budgetary funds of \$10,783,975, transfers within budgetary funds of \$37,940,204, and no cancellation of appropriations. The funding sources for the increases are unanticipated interest earned and premium received on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRANS) funds (\$7,158,888), available fund balance from Proposition 172 Special Revenue Fund (\$2,170,000 & \$2,000,000), County Proposition 64 Consumer Fraud Fund (\$1,900,000), over-realized Property Tax System Administration and Banking Pool revenues (\$1,600,000), fees collected pursuant to California Code, Vehicle Code - VEH Section 9250.14 (\$1,500,000), grants from State of California, Department of Insurance, Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, and Office on Violence Against Women (\$1,300,000), State grant awarded by the Office of the State Public Defender (\$168,509), unused portions of prior year allocations for Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (\$65,164), and unused portions of prior year allocations for Community Enhancement Program (\$8,285). The transfer and allocation of appropriations identified in Recommendation 22 (\$23,222,944) are based on operational savings within Behavioral Health Services and the one-time use of Unlocked Reserves. Based on San Diego County Administrative Code Section 113.1 no more than 25% can be used in one fiscal year which equates to \$95,421,241. In the FY 2025-26 First Quarter Operational Plan Status Report, \$14,248,297 was appropriated for one-time lump sum payments and in the FY 2025-26 Second Quarter Operational Plan Status Report, \$56,150,000 was appropriated for Tijuana River Valley and various appropriations based on the advice and guidance of the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Sustainable Fiscal Planning (Subcommittee) per direction given to the Chief Administrative Officer during the January 28, 2026 (21) meeting. In Recommendation 22, \$23,222,944 of Unlocked Reserves will be appropriated, which will leave a remaining balance of Unlocked Reserves in FY 2025-26 of \$1,800,000. If approved, Recommendation 23 will result in one-time costs of up to \$1,000,000 to support hunger relief efforts, based on the use of Unlocked Reserves.

In all other funds combined, these actions will result in a net increase to the overall budget of \$14,565,384, transfers between budgetary funds of \$2,305,517, and cancellation of appropriations of \$9,231,876. The funding sources for the increases are Operating Transfer In from the General Fund (\$10,783,975), available fund balance from Proposition 172 Special Revenue Fund (\$4,170,000), Operating Transfers In from various non-General Fund (\$2,305,517), available County Service Area 69 (\$500,000) fund balance, fines, forfeitures and penalties (\$215,000), available prior year PRD No. 105A - Zone A Alta Loma Drive fund balance (\$44,751), and available prior year PRD No. 105 - Alta Loma Drive fund balance (\$34,797). These are offset by decreases in U.S. Environmental Protection Agency grant (\$3,452,972) and General Purpose Revenue (\$35,684).

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

Noting for the record that this item was heard on May 20, 2026; ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

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

32. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE ACTIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT PRIOR BOARD DIRECTION ON UNLOCKED RESERVE FUNDS: AWARD AND AMEND GRANTS AND CONTRACTS, INCLUDING AUTHORIZATION OF A-87 EXEMPTION TO COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT TO APPROVE SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT WITH CITY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On September 9, 2025 (23), the Board of Supervisors (Board) amended the San Diego County Administrative Code relating to General Fund Balances and Reserves, freeing up fund balance for one-time use (Unlocked Reserves). The Board's September 9th action further provided that the Board may, under certain criteria, use up to 25% of the County's Unlocked Reserves in a given fiscal year where the use meets certain Board-established criteria noted in the County Administrative Code.

On January 28, 2026 (21), the Board directed the Chief Administrative Officer to develop proposals for the use of FY 2025-26 Unlocked Reserves, in coordination with and with the guidance of the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Sustainable Fiscal Planning (Subcommittee), for the Board's consideration. Subsequent to January 28, 2026, staff received guidance from the Subcommittee for proposed uses of Unlocked Reserves. Staff returned to the Board on March 3, 2026 (13) for consideration of the proposals developed with the Subcommittee's guidance.

On March 3, the Board considered those proposals and subsequently appropriated a total of \$56.2 million of the Unlocked Reserves balance. \$8.8 million of the Unlocked Reserves were appropriated to address conditions in the Tijuana River Valley and \$47.4 million was appropriated to support the County of San Diego's efforts in the areas of housing, vulnerable populations, sustainability, and infrastructure. Staff took that direction and returned to the Subcommittee for further coordination and guidance on how to operationalize those appropriations. Based on Board direction and the advice and guidance of the Subcommittee, additional Board action is required to implement March 3, 2026 action. Today's item seeks the Board's authority in order to implement \$15,425,000 of the previously appropriated \$47.4 million in Unlocked Reserves through contracts with two community organizations and grants to six other community organizations and public entities. Items that received appropriations on March 3, 2026, and already have existing authority to initiate contract extensions or amendments are not included in today's recommendations.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to enter into negotiations with the San Diego LGBT Community Center and subject to successful negotiations and a determination of a fair and reasonable price, amend contract No. 569539 to extend the term by two years utilizing \$3,200,000 in Unlocked Reserves, to provide case management and assistance through flexible funding and connections to housing resources, and up to an additional six months if needed, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract as required to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Director, Housing and Community Development Services.
2. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement approve and authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to enter into negotiations with City Heights Community Development Corporation and subject to successful negotiations and a determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for Coordinated Eviction Prevention System services for an initial term of two years utilizing \$3,600,000 in Unlocked Reserves, with one option year and an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to requirements and funding, subject to the approval of the Director, Housing and Community Development Services, Office of Homeless Solutions.
3. Pursuant to Government Code section 26227, find that the grant programs authorized in the following recommendations are necessary to meet the social needs of the County's population in the areas of health, law enforcement, public safety, rehabilitation, welfare, education, and legal services. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, upon successful negotiations, to execute a subrecipient grant agreement in the following amounts for the following organizations:
 - a. \$600,000 with the University of San Diego to fund tenant legal services for eligible residents with complex immigration and documentation status.
 - b. \$350,000 with the Urban League of San Diego County to fund the Housing Financial Assistance Program to provide rental or mortgage relief to eligible residents at risk of homelessness, and to execute any subsequent amendments thereto.
 - c. \$5,000,000 with the Partnership for the Advancement of New Americans (PANA) to fund the development of the Refugee and Immigrant Cultural Hub and Affordable Housing space in Mid-City/City Heights, with payment contingent upon PANA demonstrating that it has secured financing for the project by June 30, 2027. Further authorize the Chief Administrative Officer or designee, upon successful negotiations, to execute any amendments to the agreement with PANA to provide up-to an additional \$15,000,000 in funding for the same purpose, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$20,000,000, subject to the County identifying funding and the Board appropriating the funding for this use.

- d. \$1,500,000 to amend the subrecipient grant agreement with the City of San Diego for the domestic violence shelter-based services to victims and their children actively fleeing or escaping domestic violence, or in imminent danger of domestic violence, survivors of human trafficking and survivors of sexual assault, residing within San Diego county up to an additional year and up to an additional six months if needed, and to execute any subsequent amendments thereto.
- e. \$175,000 with the Union of Pan Asian Communities (UPAC) for the Community Violence Intervention program, to provide immediate and long-term crisis and community intervention and support to individuals impacted by violence, and to execute any subsequent amendments thereto.
- f. \$1,000,000 with the San Diego Food Bank, to support inventory for food distribution and mobile pantries, and to execute any subsequent amendments thereto.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Unlocked Reserves are designed to function as a strategic, one-time fiscal tool in periods of heightened uncertainty, particularly when federal or State actions threaten County of San Diego administered programs. Such periods of heightened uncertainty have the potential to exacerbate existing inequities and inequalities, widening the gap between essential goods and services and the people who need to access them. To address continued changes in the financial landscape, on March 3, 2026 (13), the Board of Supervisors directed the use of Unlocked Reserves to expand housing supports, services for vulnerable populations, and sustainability and infrastructure solutions. Today's action ensures the expenditure of the appropriated funds to reduce access gaps to critical resources, for the benefit of the public good.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

If approved, today's actions will sustain funding for the implementation of critical programs and services that advance many of the County of San Diego (County) Sustainability Goals: provide just and equitable access to County services and resource allocation in support of sustainable communities; and protect health and wellbeing. Specifically, the expenditures would help invest in building resilience in vulnerable populations in partnership with community organizations, protect the availability of housing supports, and protect access to healthy, sustainable, and local food.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the actions requested are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency, the Public Safety Group Executive Office, and the Office of Economic Development & Government Affairs based on use of Unlocked Reserves as approved by the Board of Supervisors on March 3, 2026 (13). If approved, these Recommendations for related contract changes and grant agreements would implement one-time costs totaling \$15,425,000, as identified in Attachment A, funded with unlocked reserves in the current fiscal year as approved by the Board on March 3, 2026. Funds will carry forward as needed to support services during the negotiated grant and contract periods in future years, as applicable. There will be no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

Noting for the record that this item was heard on May 20, 2026; ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe

NOES: Anderson, Desmond

- 33. SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF BOND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS, WAIVE BOARD POLICY B-29, AND AUTHORIZE UNSPENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IMPACT FUNDS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WELLNESS CAMPUS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

In March 2024, California voters passed Proposition 1 that includes the Behavioral Health Services Act and the Behavioral Health Infrastructure Bond Act of 2023. This legislation authorized \$6.38 billion in general obligation bonds to expand behavioral health treatment, residential care settings, and housing to support people with mental health conditions and substance use disorders. As part of Proposition 1, in July 2024, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) released a request for applications for the Bond Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (Bond BHCIP) Round 1: Launch Ready grant program that provided \$4.4 billion in competitive grant funds to counties, cities, tribal entities, and nonprofit and for-profit entities for behavioral health capital infrastructure. The County of San Diego (County) Behavioral Health Services (BHS) applied for Bond BHCIP Round 1 funds. On May 6, 2025, BHS received a notice of a grant award, totaling \$29.8 million of funding, for the Substance Use Residential and Treatment Services facility and Children's Crisis Residential Care facility.

In June 2025, DHCS released a second request for applications for the Bond BHCIP Round 2: Unmet Needs grant program, providing \$800 million in competitive grant funds. BHS applied for and in March 2026, received notice of a conditional grant award totaling \$99.5 million of funding to develop and construct a Behavioral Health Wellness Campus (Wellness Campus) that will provide a full, integrated continuum of care, inclusive of crisis stabilization, substance use residential treatment, long-term care, peer-focused social rehabilitation, and mental health outpatient services. By co-locating these comprehensive services, the Wellness Campus strengthens community wellness and supports diversion from jails and emergency rooms while meeting critical state mandates.

On April 7, 2020 (3), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) approved an agreement between the County and the City of San Diego (City) to establish \$25 million of appropriations to fund the Behavioral Health Impact Fund (BHIF) to help develop behavioral health capital projects within the boundaries of the city to strengthen the local capacity for long-term mental health and substance use treatment. Through a competitive process, several local community-based organizations were awarded BHIF dollars to invest in infrastructure, resulting in total costs of \$10.65 million. Currently, \$14.35 million remains in the BHIF because

several initial projects were unable to move forward. In partnership with the City, the remaining funds can be used to support the development and construction of the Wellness Campus due to the alignment with the original terms of the BHIF agreement between the County and City (Attachment A).

Today's item requests the Board authorize the acceptance of \$99.5 million in one-time grant funds from DHCS for capital infrastructure at the Behavioral Health Wellness Campus and to waive Board Policy B-29, which requires full-cost recovery for grants. Today's action also requests the Board authorize unspent BHIF be utilized to develop and construct the Wellness Campus.

Today's action supports the County vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished through further strengthening the continuum of behavioral health services in San Diego County.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Authorize the acceptance of Bond Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (Bond BHCIP) Round 2 grant funding of up to \$99.5 million from the California Department of Health Care Services for Fiscal Years 2025-26 through 2030-31, for capital infrastructure at the Behavioral Health Wellness Campus; and authorize the Behavioral Health Services Director, or designee, to execute all required documents, upon receipt, including any program funding agreements, annual extensions, amendments, or revisions that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.
2. Authorize unspent Behavioral Health Impact Funds of up to \$14.35 million to be utilized to develop and construct the Behavioral Health Wellness Campus.
3. Waive Board Policy B-29 (Fees, Grants and Revenue Contracts-Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery), which requires full cost recovery for grants, for Bond BHCIP Round 2 grant funding from the California Department of Health Care Services.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County of San Diego Behavioral Health Services (BHS) serves as the specialty mental health plan for Medi-Cal eligible residents with serious mental illness and as the service delivery system for Medi-Cal eligible residents who need substance use disorder care. In 2025, over one in five San Diegans were Medi-Cal eligible, and Hispanic and Latino residents had the highest eligibility rate at 44%. As the regional steward for communities disproportionately affected by social determinants of health, BHS is responsible for ensuring that behavioral health services are accessible, culturally responsive, and distributed equitably.

Data shows significant inequities in behavioral health conditions and access to care. According to 2024 data from the California Department of Health Care Access and Information, San Diego County had a substance use disorder (SUD)-related emergency department discharge rate of 118.1 per 100,000 residents. Rates were nearly twice as high among males (156.4) compared

with females (79.9), and highest among non-Hispanic Black residents (257.0) compared with other racial/ethnic groups. By age, adults 30-39 had the highest rate (253.0), followed by ages 20-29 (213.2) and 40-49 (165.7). Nationally, only 19.3% of individuals age 12 or older with a diagnosed SUD received treatment in the past year, while an estimated 95.6% of adults age 18 or older with SUD did not seek or believe they needed care, according to the 2024 National Survey on Drug Use and Health. Mental health indicators also show growing need. The 2024 California Health Interview Survey reports that more than 19% of San Diego adults have ever seriously considered suicide, an increase since 2020. This trend is also seen nationally as suicide rates have continued to increase during this period. Local mortality data show suicide deaths decreased by 8% from 2016 to 2024 but rose by 3% between 2023 and 2024.

These patterns demonstrate an urgent need for coordinated and comprehensive behavioral health services that can reach residents with the highest levels of need. The Behavioral Health Wellness Campus would strengthen the regional continuum of care by expanding access, improving care coordination, and creating a centralized environment where individuals can receive timely and appropriate services for both serious mental illness and substance use challenges.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's proposed actions support the County of San Diego (County) Sustainability Goal #1, to engage the community in meaningful ways and continually seek stakeholder input, and Sustainability Goal #2, to ensure equitable access to County services. Behavioral Health Services (BHS) has conducted extensive engagement activities to better understand local behavioral health needs and enhance collaboration with local partners. Through these efforts, BHS has solicited community feedback to inform department priorities, inclusive of services and infrastructure planning. Prioritizing the development of the recommended facility will support increased capacity dedicated to people with behavioral health conditions. These services will support equitable access to essential behavioral health care for Medi-Cal eligible individuals, enabling them to be connected to the care they need.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds tied to the acceptance of the Bond Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (Bond BHCIP) grant funding for the Behavioral Health Wellness Campus are partially included in the FY 2026-27 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of approximately \$99.5 million in FY 2026-27 through FY 2030-31 for capital costs for Behavioral Health Services. The funding source is Bond Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure through the Department of Health Care Services. Funds for subsequent years will be incorporated into future operational plans.

Funds tied to the Behavioral Health Infrastructure Fund are not included in the FY 2026-27 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of approximately \$14.35 million in FY 2026-27 through FY 2030-31 for capital costs for Behavioral Health Services.

A waiver of Board Policy B-29 is requested because the funding is not anticipated to offset all costs of the Behavioral Health Wellness Campus. The original estimate of total project cost was up to \$194.0 million, inclusive of the planning, development, and construction costs of \$167.0 million and land value of \$27.0 million. The County Department of General Services will return

to the Board with a final cost estimate for the project and a recommendation on the most timely, cost-effective approach for the development and construction of the Behavioral Health Wellness Campus following the completion of project design and review. The public benefit of this project far outweighs the B-29 unrecoverable costs. There will be no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

NOT PRESENT: Anderson

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

34. SUBJECT: CONSIDER A POLICY FOR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEES (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On April 21, 2026 (17), the Board directed the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to coordinate with County Counsel and return with amendments to Board Policy A-74 or a new policy establishing requirements for the operation of Board-created ad hoc subcommittees. These requirements were to include procedures for agenda posting, public accessibility, documentation, and the availability of materials and communications generated during subcommittee meetings. In response to that direction, staff developed several options for the Board's consideration, including a proposed new Board Policy A-75, "Board of Supervisors Ad Hoc Subcommittees Policy," which would establish standardized procedures and documentation requirements for all such subcommittees.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Consider and approve one of the following options to provide standardized requirements for the creation, operation, notice, access, and documentation of ad hoc subcommittee activities:

1. Option 1: Adopt proposed Board Policy A 75, "Board of Supervisors Ad Hoc Subcommittees Policy" (Attachment 1).
2. Option 2: Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to amend existing Board Policy A-74, "Participation in County Boards, Commissions, and Committees," and return to the Board with the amendments.
3. Option 3: Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a policy to require all Board-created subcommittees to comply with the Brown Act and return to the Board with the policy.
4. Option 4: Take no action and do not establish a policy at this time. Determine transparency requirements on a case-by-case basis each time an ad hoc subcommittee is created.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Board meetings and advisory bodies operate under procedures intended to provide equitable access for County residents. Establishing consistent requirements for ad hoc subcommittees supports public access by ensuring that information, meeting schedules, records, and materials associated with these subcommittees are available to all individuals

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Standardized procedures for ad hoc subcommittee operations support transparency and consistency in County processes. Making records, communications, and meeting materials publicly available contributes to clear documentation and long-term administrative sustainability.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action to adopt the proposed policy. There may be future fiscal impacts related to the establishment of new ad hoc or standing subcommittees, for which staff will return to the Board as necessary with recommendations for consideration and approval. At this time, there is no change in General Fund cost and requires no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

Standardized procedures for meeting access and documentation provide consistent information to the business community and other interested parties. This allows stakeholders to track and participate in matters considered by Board ad hoc subcommittees.

ACTION 34.1:

A motion was made by Supervisor Desmond, for the Board of Supervisors to approve Option 1: Adopt proposed Board Policy A 75, “Board of Supervisors Ad Hoc Subcommittees Policy” (Attachment 1), to provide standardized requirements for the creation, operation, notice, access, and documentation of ad hoc subcommittee activities.

(Motion failed for lack of a second to the motion.)

ACTION 34.2:

A motion was made by Supervisor Aguirre, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, for the Board of Supervisors to approve Option 4: Take no action and do not establish a policy at this time. Determine transparency requirements on a case-by-case basis each time an ad hoc subcommittee is created, to provide standardized requirements for the creation, operation, notice, access, and documentation of ad hoc subcommittee activities.

AYES: Aguirre, Montgomery Steppe

NOES: Desmond

NOT PRESENT: Anderson

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

(Motion failed for lack of required affirmative votes.)

35. SUBJECT: INITIATE TRANSITION OF SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY (ACADEMY) AND CONTINUE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TO IDENTIFY FEASIBLE AND SUSTAINABLE OPTIONS FOR THE FUTURE OF THE ACADEMY (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

San Pasqual Academy (Academy) was built on 238 acres of land and opened its doors in 2001, as one of the most innovative child welfare and education partnerships in the nation at the time. It was designed to serve as an alternative placement option for dependents of the Juvenile Court, ages 12-17 and non-minor dependents up to age 19.

Over the years, State and federal reforms have redefined how youth are served in care. These reforms reduce reliance on residential care and have steadily moved the system toward prevention, family reunification, and community-based services. This, in turn, has led to a steady reduction in residential placements statewide and in San Diego County. These evolving system reforms and modern requirements have created an opportunity to reimagine the Academy campus in ways that center youth well-being while exploring how it can serve and benefit the broader community.

In recent years, the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, Child and Family Well-Being Department (CFWB) has responded to this evolution by engaging in strategic planning with current and former foster youth, key stakeholders, and the community in a collective effort to sustain the Academy's original vision and goals. This included exploring future campus uses that align with the changing statutory framework and community needs. While the Academy underwent early restructuring in 2021 to align with evolving child welfare policies and population needs, demand for this level of care continued to decline as systems increasingly prioritized prevention-focused, in-home, and family-strengthening supports.

On November 18, 2025 (5), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to conduct stakeholder engagement and develop recommendations for best serving foster youth while maximizing the use of the Academy campus and ensuring fiscal sustainability of foster youth programming. Additionally, the Board directed the CAO to return in 180 days with recommendations for consideration.

In response, CFWB, in partnership with the Children's Initiative, initiated a broad and diverse communication and engagement effort. The engagement process brought forward thoughtful, community-driven ideas to support sustainable future uses of the Academy campus that reflect current community needs.

Today's item requests the Board direct the initiation of a planned, phased wind-down of the Academy, including the development of thoughtful, trauma-informed, individualized transition plans for each youth at the academy. In addition, today's item requests the Board direct the CAO to continue a broad, collaborative, and inclusive community engagement process to identify future uses of the Academy campus that reflect community needs and maximize public benefit, report back with a status update in 12 months and return in 18 months with recommendations for consideration.

This item supports the County vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This new effort reflects a commitment to align with Board priorities and the current needs of youth in foster care as well as other needs that may exist for the broader community.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to initiate a transition of the San Pasqual Academy (Academy) through a planned and phased wind-down; and develop thoughtful, trauma-informed, individualized transition plans with each youth at the Academy.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to continue a broad, collaborative, and inclusive community engagement process to identify feasible and sustainable options for the future of the Academy campus that reflect community needs and maximize benefit to all residents to inform campus reuse decision.
3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to report back to the Board within 12 months with a status update on the overall transition of the Academy and viable and sustainable use scenarios for the campus to inform development of actionable options; and to return to the Board within 18 months, or sooner if appropriate, with recommendations for consideration.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

San Pasqual Academy (Academy) provides a multipurpose continuum of care to meet the diverse needs of youth. This includes comprehensive resources to provide foster youth ages 12 to 19 with a stable and caring home, quality individualized education, and the skills needed for independent living. Additionally, the Academy provides strong linkages to permanent connections, transitional housing, and post-emancipation services. Its innovative vision and pioneering model have touched many lives and inspired strong advocacy from alumni, supporters, and community partners who have seen its impact firsthand.

As State and federal policies evolve, there is a stronger focus on helping youth grow up in family settings, and fewer youth are placed at the Academy. This creates an opportunity to reimagine the Academy campus in ways that center youth well-being while exploring how it can serve and benefit the broader community. The County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, Child and Family Well-Being Department, in partnership with the Children's Initiative, initiated a cross-sector engagement effort to ensure broad, inclusive, and equitable participation and input from foster youth, individuals with lived experience, key stakeholders, and community partners. Feedback gathered through these efforts will guide next steps and planning, helping to shape approaches that promote equitable access, responsiveness to community needs, and continuity of support for youth and families.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's item supports the County of San Diego (County) sustainability goals #1 to engage communities and #2 to ensure just and equitable access to services. Through broad engagement

and a participatory process, the County will commit to including those most impacted to identify service gaps and help shape a trauma-informed, culturally responsive system. This effort aligns with broader goals to expand system capacity and provide foster youth with equitable access to high-quality placements in the least restrictive settings. A community-centered approach, grounded in expanded outreach and inclusive engagement, will remain central throughout this process.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's action. There may be future fiscal impacts, and those impacts will be considered upon return to the Board. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

The planned wind-down of San Pasqual Academy (Academy) will generate both near-term costs and longer-term fiscal benefits. In the short term, the County will continue to incur expenses to support youth transitions, adjust contracted services, and operate a large campus at reduced capacity. The costs associated with the transition are anticipated to be fully accommodated within the existing Academy budgeted appropriations. These transitional costs occur in the context of significant State and federal policy changes including Continuum of Care Reform and the Family First Prevention Services Act, which have reduced the use of congregate care and rendered the Academy's educational-based residential model ineligible for foster care funding. As a result, the Academy operations have become primarily supported by existing one-time General Purpose Revenue each year in preparation for anticipated transition of the Academy. There is limited federal funding leveraged only for salaries and benefits.

Over time, discontinuing residential operations is expected to generate substantial local savings by ending an expensive and under-utilized program that is no longer aligned with modern funding structures. However, fiscal responsibilities will continue beyond the program's closure and the County must secure and maintain the 238-acre campus until future uses are determined and may need to fund capital improvements required to repurpose the site. These ongoing obligations are partially offset by expected savings but remain significantly lower than the costs of continuing the current residential program. These financial impacts will be assessed and included in future return backs.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

Noting for the record that this item was heard on May 20, 2026; ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Anderson, the Board of Supervisors took the following action:

1. Directed the Chief Administrative Officer to return to the Board with a high-level plan for the future of the campus. This plan should also include an initial vision for proposed uses, services, and programs on the campus, including transitional age housing for former foster youth.
2. Directed the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to continue a broad, collaborative, and inclusive engagement process to identify trauma-informed, thoughtful, and sustainable options for the future of current youth at San Pasqual Academy that includes input and

feedback from each youth at the Academy and their advocates, including Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer advocates.

- a. The potential for closure of the Academy must be included in these discussions.
 - b. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to report back to the Board within 90 days with recommendations based on feedback gathered in Recommendation #1 and feedback already gathered.
3. Directed the Chief Administrative Officer, or designee, to report back to the Board within 12 months with a status update on the overall transition of the Academy and viable and sustainable use scenarios for the campus to inform development of actionable options; and to return to the Board within 18 months, or sooner if appropriate, with recommendations for consideration.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

36. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Darryl Dunsmore, et al v. County of San Diego, et al.; U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California Case No.: 3:20-CV-00406-AJB-WVG
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Estate of Aaron Bonin, et al. v. County of San Diego, et al.; U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California Case No.: 3:23-CV-2158-MMA-MSB
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - INTITATION OF LITIGATION
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph 4 of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9: (Number of Cases - 1)
- D. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Carolina Hipschman, et al. v. County of San Diego, et al.; U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California Case No.: 3:22-CV-00903-AJB-BLM

ACTION:

The Board of Supervisors met in closed session on May 19, 2026, from 2:52 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. Three Board members were present, with Chair Lawson-Remer and Supervisor Anderson absent.

The Board took the following reportable action:

On Item 36C, by a vote of 3-0, the Board authorized County Counsel to initiate litigation challenging the Civil Service Commission's order reinstating a Deputy Probation Officer.

37. SUBJECT: NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMUNICATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2026

OVERVIEW

Cesar Javier spoke regarding alleged toxic emissions from a ceramics business in his neighborhood and requested County assistance with environmental and health concerns.

Oliver Twist spoke regarding First Amendment rights, in-person participation, and concerns about County budget growth.

Susanne Boston spoke regarding experiences at Family Resource Centers during Medi-Cal renewal and requested improved customer service and feedback processes.

Ralph Koek spoke regarding concerns about the proposed Harmonia Estates project near Park Circle in Valley Center raising concerns about emergency access, fire risk, and loss of open space and trails.

Purita Javier spoke regarding alleged long-standing health impacts from ceramic kiln emissions and asked the District 1 Supervisor to address environmental justice issues in her community.

Paul the Bold spoke about tolerance and speaker engagement rules.

Kathleen Lippitt spoke regarding perceived political maneuvering related to unincorporated communities and land use, and expressed concerns about large-scale projects and cannabis policies.

Consuelo spoke regarding government accountability.

Pamela spoke regarding abortion, gender issues, and concerns about the Board's policy positions; comments included criticism of individual Board members.

Justin Castro spoke regarding election fraud.

ACTION:

Heard, Referred to the Chief Administrative Officer

There being no further business, the Board of Supervisors recessed at 3:50 p.m., in memory of Lauro Jimenez and Hal Brown, until Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. for the remainder of the General Legislative Session and Land Use Legislative Session.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Diego, State of California

Consent: Vizcarra
Discussion: Evangelista

NOTE: This Statement of Proceedings sets forth all actions taken by the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors on the matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up. Generative artificial intelligence (AI) was utilized to assist in drafting portions of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes using the meeting's audio recording. All content produced through AI assistance underwent human review to ensure accuracy.