

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

NORA VARGAS First District

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

JOEL ANDERSON Second District

TERRA LAWSON-REMER Third District

> VACANT Fourth District

JIM DESMOND Fifth District

AGENDA ITEM

DATE: December 5, 2023

TO: **Board of Supervisors**

SUBJECT

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION DECLARING ELECTION RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 7, 2023 SPECIAL ELECTION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

State law requires that the Board of Supervisors (Board) declare the election results for those offices and measures under its jurisdiction. For the November 7, 2023 Special Election, the Board must declare the results for the office of Board of Supervisors – District 4.

Today's action requests the Board to adopt a resolution declaring these election results.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Adopt a Resolution entitled RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 7, 2023 SPECIAL ELECTION RELATING TO COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO OFFICE (Attachment A, on file with Clerk of the Board).

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

A person's vote can influence policy and who represents them in government, which in turn impacts their environment, health, and quality of life. The Registrar of Voters' conduct of a fair, accurate, and transparent election allows all eligible citizens to have a part in matters that affect them.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

A person's vote has a direct influence on the sustainability of their neighborhood, community, and local region. By voting, San Diego residents have a direct impact on their health, equity, the economy, and environment. With the County's implementation of the vote center model, all active registered voters receive a ballot in the mail as required by current law. This increases accessibility by providing voters with the opportunity to consider the method that is most convenient for them to return their ballot and has the possibility of reducing vehicles miles traveled to cast their vote. In addition, voters have the option of receiving voter information guides electronically to reduce paper waste. The recommended action today aligns with the Governance lens of sustainability and

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the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal of providing just and equitable access to County services.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the adoption of the Resolution. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT

N/A

BACKGROUND

California Elections Code Section 15400 provides that the Board of Supervisors must declare the results of elections for offices and measures under the County's jurisdiction. The November 7, 2023 Special Election ballot included one office under the County's jurisdiction.

At the time of docketing this board letter, the Registrar of Voters office is still counting and verifying the results of the November 7, 2023 special election. The results of the election will be certified on November 28, 2023. The resolution detailing the official results will be posted online and distributed with the final agenda on December 1, 2023.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

Today's action to declare election results supports the values represented in the County of San Diego's 2023-2028 Community Strategic Initiative by conducting voting processes with the highest level of professional election standards, accountability, security and transparency.

Respectfully submitted,

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Interim Chief Administrative Officer

ATTACHMENT(S)

Attachment A - RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 7, 2023 SPECIAL ELECTION RELATING TO COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO OFFICE

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