

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2025**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 20

SUBJECT: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE ADDING ARTICLE LXV OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS TO COUNTY FACILITIES (NOVEMBER 18, 2025- FIRST READING; DECEMBER 9, 2025 - SECOND READING UNLESS ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING) (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On October 21, 2025 (17), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to draft a Civil Liberties Enforcement and Accountability Rules (CLEAR) Ordinance based upon the Due Process and Safety Ordinance adopted by the City of San Diego City Council on October 21, 2025.

Based on direction from the Board, staff have prepared a draft ordinance that restricts access to non-public areas of County facilities by law enforcement without a judicial warrant or court order. It also directs the posting of clear, multilingual signage in County buildings to inform residents of their rights. Finally, it extends certain requirements to County contractors, grantees, and leaseholders, ensuring consistent and enforceable civil rights safeguards across County partnerships and funded programs.

Today's recommendation requests that the Board consider the introduction of an ordinance based upon the Due Process and Safety Ordinance adopted by the City of San Diego City Council. If the Board acts as recommended, then on December 9, 2025, the Board is requested to adopt the ordinance (second reading) and take related actions. If the proposed ordinance is altered on December 9, 2025, then on that date, a subsequent meeting date will be selected for the ordinance's adoption.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

On November 18, 2025:

Consider the recommendation to approve the introduction of the Ordinance (first reading):
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If, on November 18, 2025, the Board takes action within recommendation #1 above, then on December 9, 2025:

Consider and adopt the Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ADDING ARTICLE LXV OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS TO COUNTY FACILITIES

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action aims to promote fairness and equal treatment in the justice system by preventing discriminatory practices that disproportionately impact immigrant communities. This approach supports the County's commitment to social justice and inclusion, fostering trust and cooperation between immigrant communities and the County of San Diego, which is essential for effective in keeping all of our communities safe.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action supports the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal #2 of providing just and equitable access to County services to promote equity, transparency, and community trust. Multilingual signage and clear communication of rights enhance accessibility and civic engagement. Overall, the ordinance supports transparency into County operations and community partnerships.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for today's actions are included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan based on existing staff time in the Department of Purchasing & Contracting and the County Communications Office based on Charges for Services to client departments and General Purpose Revenue, respectively. 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 Lawson-Remer, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, and took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on December 9, 2025.

AYES: Aguirre, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe

NOES: Anderson, Desmond

State of California)
County of San Diego) §

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

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed

by Andrew Potter

