



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

AGENDA ITEM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

PALOMA AGUIRRE
First District

JOEL ANDERSON
Second District

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Third District

MONICA MONTGOMERY STEPPE
Fourth District

JIM DESMOND
Fifth District

DATE: June 9, 2026

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TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT

SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (SDCERA) RETIREMENT BOARD ELECTION – SECOND MEMBER (GENERAL), EIGHTH MEMBER (RETIRED), AND ALTERNATE MEMBER (RETIRED) (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

This is a request that the Board of Supervisors declare the results of the San Diego County Employees Retirement Association (SDCERA) Board of Retirement election for the Second Member (General) (“Second Member”) seat, held on May 5, 2026, pursuant to California Government Code section 31523 and Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 13-135.

This is also a request that the Board of Supervisors order that no election be held to fill the regular three-year term for the Eighth Member (Retired) (“Eighth Member”) seat and the Alternate Member (Retired) (“Alternate Retired Member”) seat on the Board of Retirement, pursuant to California Government Code section 31523 and Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 13-135.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

1. Declare candidate Matthew Dix to be elected to the Second Member seat on the Board of Retirement for the regular three-year term, commencing July 1, 2026, and expiring on June 30, 2029.
2. Order that no election be held to fill the regular three-year term of the Eighth Member of the Board of Retirement commencing, July 1, 2026. Direct the Clerk of the Board to cast a unanimous vote in favor of the one duly nominated Member and declare candidate E. F. “Skip” Murphy elected as the Eighth Member of the Board of Retirement for a three-year term, commencing July 1, 2026, and expiring on June 30, 2029.
3. Order that no election be held to fill the regular three-year term of the Alternate Retired Member of the Board of Retirement commencing, July 1, 2026. Direct the Clerk of the Board to cast a unanimous vote in favor of the one duly nominated Member and declare

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candidate Janel Pehau elected as the Alternate Retired Member of the Board of Retirement for a three-year term, commencing July 1, 2026, and expiring on June 30, 2029.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The voters in the election of the Second Member included 17,036, active general employees of the County and participating plan sponsors. There were 20,215 retired members eligible to vote in an election for the Eighth Member and Alternate Member. These voters can elect representatives from amongst themselves to serve on the Board of Retirement.

The Board of Retirement makes decisions about the administration of the SDCERA Trust Fund on behalf of all SDCERA members and their beneficiaries.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

A person’s vote has a direct influence on the sustainability of their community and local region. By voting, voters have a direct impact on their health, equity, and environment. The recommended action today aligns with the Governance lens of sustainability and 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 these recommendations. 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

SDCERA General Members and Retired Members were duly notified of the election and candidacy procedures on or before March 6, 2026. Candidates were required to file nominating petitions with the Registrar of Voters on or before April 3, 2026. On April 6, 2026, the Registrar of Voters, through review of SDCERA records, verified the membership status and signatures of the individuals listed on the nomination petitions submitted by five candidates for the Second Member seat, one candidate for the Eighth Member seat, and one candidate for the Alternate Retired Member seat. The Registrar of Voters determined that the nomination petitions satisfied the applicable eligibility requirements set forth in BOS Resolution No. 13-135. The Registrar of Voters’ letters are attached.

An election was conducted on May 5, 2026, to fill the regular three-year term for the Second Member seat on the Board of Retirement, which term expires on June 30, 2026. The Registrar of Voters distributed mail ballots for the Second Member seat election, canvassed the ballots

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returned, and certified the election results on May 8, 2026. The Registrar of Voters' election results letter is attached.

Because only one certified nomination petition was received for each of the Eighth Member and Alternate Retired Member seats, the terms of which expires on June 30, 2026, no election was conducted for those seats. The Registrar of Voters' certified candidate letters are attached.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

Today's action supports the values represented in the County of San Diego's 2026-2031 Community Strategic Initiative by conducting voting processes with the highest level of professional election standards, accountability, security and transparency.

Respectfully submitted,



DAVID KIM
Chief Executive Officer, SDCERA

ATTACHMENT(S)

Attachment A- April 7, 2026, SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION ELECTION LETTERS

Attachment B- May 8, 2026, SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD OF RETIREMENT ELECTION CERTIFICATION