



COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION
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SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 8/13/2024

To: Sonoma County Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): County Administrator's Office

Staff Name and Phone Number: Yvonne Shu and Inez Almaras, 565-2431

Vote Requirement: Informational Only

Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Title:

Quarterly Ad Hoc Update - First and Second Quarters of 2024

Recommended Action:

Receive the first and second quarterly updates from the Ad Hoc Committees established or continued into the 2024 calendar year.

Executive Summary:

On January 23, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved the Ad Hoc assignments for calendar year 2024. The Board requested that staff provide quarterly updates on the Ad Hoc activities to keep the Board and public informed about the progress being made by these committees. Each committee is unique in its charter, outcomes, and process. A summary of activities is below, and expanded information can be found in Attachment A.

Discussion:

The Ad Hoc committee assignments for calendar year 2024 are as follows:

Ad Hoc Committee	Supervisor Assigned	Department /Agency	Lead Staff Member	Ad Hoc Status
Fire Services	Rabbitt and Hopkins	County Administrator	Christel Querijero	In progress
South Santa Rosa Annexation	Coursey and Gorin	County Administrator	Christel Querijero	In progress
Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems	Rabbitt and Hopkins	Permit Sonoma	Nathan Quarles	In progress
Potter Valley Project	Rabbitt and Gore	Sonoma Water	Grant Davis	In progress
Unincorporated Governance Ad Hoc	Gorin and Hopkins	County Administrator	Christel Querijero	In progress

Fire Services:

- The Ad Hoc did not meet in the first quarter.

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- However, the Ad Hoc received regular updates from the Fire Services Working Group regarding the Fire Tax measure (Measure H), which passed with over 50% voter approval.
- The Ad Hoc met in the second quarter on May 24, 2024, and staff received direction to explore loan options for Fire Districts before disbursing Measure H funds.
- The Fire Services Working Group met on May 28, 2024, and requested the Ad Hoc to revisit Tax Exchange Agreements in mid-Fiscal Year 2024-2025, alongside exploring loan options for Fire Districts' Measure H funding disbursement.
- The next Fire Services Ad Hoc meeting is scheduled for September 26, 2024.

South Santa Rosa Annexation:

- The Ad Hoc did not meet in the first or second quarters.
- Discussions are ongoing between County and City of Santa Rosa staff regarding the development of a South Santa Rosa Specific Plan.
- The next Ad Hoc meeting will be scheduled in early 2025.

Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS):

The Ad Hoc did not meet in the first or second quarters although staff activities related to OWTS continue. Future ad hoc meetings are not anticipated.

Porter Valley:

- The Ad Hoc did not meet in the first or second quarters.
- Future meetings will be scheduled on an as-needed basis, and currently none are scheduled.

Unincorporated Governance:

- In the first quarter, the Ad Hoc met on January 18, 2024, to confirm recommendations to bring to the full Board meeting held on February 6, 2024. The Board directed staff to present five Program Change Requests at the budget hearings in June 2024, for funding work efforts for FY 24-25.
- In June, the Board approved \$150,000 for district formation work, which includes exploring the creation of a menu of district formation activities available to communities throughout the County's unincorporated areas.
- The next ad hoc meeting is scheduled on July 17, 2024.

Was this item identified as an opportunity to apply the Racial Equity Toolkit?

No

Prior Board Actions:

Quarterly Ad Hoc Updates for 2023: April 18, September 19, December 5, and March 26, 2024.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

Some of the Ad Hoc committees incur expenses related to their activities. When applicable, financial information is included in the attached reports.

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

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None

Attachments:

Attachment A - First and Second Quarterly Ad Hoc Reports

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:

None