

**ACTION SUMMARY  
COUNTY OF SONOMA  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2018**

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Supervisors Susan Gorin, David Rabbitt, James Gore, Shirlee Zane, Lynda Hopkins

Sheryl Bratton, County Administrator  
Bruce Goldstein, County Counsel

**8:36 A.M. CALL TO ORDER**

Supervisors Present: Lynda Hopkins, Susan Gorin, Shirlee Zane, James Gore

Supervisors Absent: David Rabbitt

Staff Present: Sheryl Bratton, County Administrator and Robert Pittman, Assistant County Counsel

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**I. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

8:38 A.M.

Board Action: Approved as recommended  
AYES: Hopkins, Gorin, Zane, Gore  
ABSENT: Rabbitt

**II. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

8:37 A.M. Supervisor Zane attended the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) Board of Directors meeting, she was filmed for an International Business Machines (IBM) Access program, she also attended the Santa Rosa Clean Groundwater Sustainability Association board meeting, the Economic Development Board Spirit of Sonoma award luncheon, the BackMed legislation committee meeting, and met with Senator McGuire and local officials regarding the Jennings rail crossing. She also visited the veterans tiny homes and thanked all the volunteers from Daily Acts.

8:38 A.M. Supervisor Gorin spoke at the California Public Utilities Commission workshop regarding impacts on deep energization, she also attended the Economic Development Board Spirit of Sonoma award luncheon.

8:39 A.M. Supervisor Hopkins attended the Rural County Representatives of California board meeting and the Sonoma Clean Power board of directors meeting. She also attended the following Adhoc meetings: Cannabis, Emergency Medical Services, and Potter Valley project. She also attended the Santa Rosa Clean Groundwater Sustainability Association meeting, the Homeless Council meeting, and the Economic Development Board Spirit of Sonoma award luncheon.

8:44 A.M. Supervisor Gore attended a California State Association of Counties officers retreat, discussing resiliency and vegetation management.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

(Government Code Section 54954.3(a))

8:51 A.M. Public Comment Opened

Speakers:  
Michelle Miller  
Mary Morrison  
Roseanne Snyder  
Maureen DeVoe  
Robin  
Vanessa  
James Savage  
Richard Hannon

Miguel  
Rachel Bell  
John Jenkel  
Thomas Ells

9:19 A.M. Public Comment Closed

#### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

9:19 A.M. Public Comment Opened

Speakers:  
Thomas Ells  
Michelle Miller  
John Jenkel  
Roseanne Shneider

9:28 A.M. Public Comment Closed

#### **V. CLOSED SESSION CALENDAR**

1. [The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Economic Development Board Director \(Government Code Section 54957\(b\)\(1\)\).](#)

No reportable action. Direction was given to staff.

2. [The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Permit and Resource Management Department Director \(Government Code Section 54957\(b\)\(1\)\).](#)

No reportable action. Direction was given to staff.

3. [The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Estate of Andy Lopez, et al. vs. Erick Gelhaus, et al.; USDC Case No. 13-cv-05124-PJH \(Government Code Section 54956.9\(d\)\(1\)\).](#)

This item was taken out of order.

The Board of Supervisors approved the settlement in the Estate of Andy Lopez case for a payment of \$3 million, which includes all attorney fees and costs. The settlement does not include an admission of liability and County Counsel and the Risk Manager have delegated the authority to sign all documents necessary to finalize the settlement.

AYES: Hopkins, Gorin, Zane, Gore  
ABSENT: Rabbitt

4. [The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Employee Appointment: Independent Office of Law Enforcement Review and Outreach Director, Agency Negotiator: Christina Cramer, Director of Human Resources \(Gov't. Code Section 54957\).](#)

No reportable action. Direction was given to staff.

5. [The Board of Supervisors, the Board of Directors of the Water Agency, the Board Commissioners of the Community Development Commission, and the Board of Directors of The Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Labor Negotiators: Christina Cramer/Carol Allen, County of Sonoma, and Rick Bolanos/Heather Coffman, Liebert Cassidy & Whitmore. Employee Organizations: All. Unrepresented employees: All, including retired employees. \(Government Code section 54957.6\).](#)

No reportable action. Direction was given to labor negotiators.

**VI. RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION**

3:31 P.M.

Supervisors Present: Lynda Hopkins, Susan Gorin, Shirlee Zane, James Gore

Supervisors Absent: David Rabbitt

Staff Present: Sheryl Bratton, County Administrator and Robert Pittman, Assistant County Counsel

**VII. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

12:21 P.M. Assistant County Counsel Robert Pittman reported on Closed Session Item 3, taken out of order.

12:24 P.M. The Board recessed back into Closed Session.

3:30 P.M. The Board recovered from Closed Session.

3:31 P.M. Assistant County Counsel Robert Pittman reported out on Closed Session Item 1, 2, 4 and 5.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

3:33 P.M.

The Board adjourned the meeting in memory of Dwight Allen, Frances Reed, and David Sohm. The meeting adjourned to Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 8:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Lowtrip,  
Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board