



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: April 16, 2019

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4/5 Vote Required

**Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California,
Authorizing Implementation of Special Districts' Requests That Future Board Elections
Be Moved From Odd- To Even-Numbered Years.**

Whereas, in September 2015 the Governor signed Senate Bill No. 415, which in most instances requires political subdivisions, including cities, school districts, community college districts, and other districts organized pursuant to state law, to move their elections for governing board members from odd-numbered years to even numbered years if their elections currently occur on odd-numbered years; and

Whereas, the Governing Boards of the Bodega Bay Fire Protection District and the North Sonoma Coast Fire Protection District approved a resolution pursuant to Section 10404(b) of the California Elections Code requesting that election dates for future District board elections be moved from odd- to even-numbered years; and

Whereas, the District submitted a resolution to the Board of Supervisors and Section 10404(e) requires this Board to act on the request within sixty days; and

Whereas, pursuant to Section 10404(e), the Registrar of Voters submitted to the Board of Supervisors an impact analysis of the proposed action, and according to said report, the Sonoma County Registrar of Voters is able to handle the impact that the Districts' requested change will have on the ballot style, voting equipment, and computer capacity; and

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors is required by Section 10404(e) to approve the proposed change unless it finds that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors does not find that the ballot style, voting equipment, or computer capacity of the Sonoma County Registrar of Voters is such that additional elections or materials cannot be handled in relation to the Districts' requests, and accordingly the implementation of the Districts' resolutions are approved, with the first election occurring at the November 3, 2020, statewide general election.

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Be It Further Resolved that the terms of officeholders shall be extended as necessary, but in no event shall the term be extended beyond December 31 of the year following the year in which the request for consolidation is approved by this Board.

Supervisors:

Gorin:

Zane:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Rabbitt:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.