



# County of Sonoma

## State of California

Date: October 22, 2019

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution Number: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 4/5 Vote Required

**Concurrent Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of Sonoma County, Agricultural Preservation And Open Space District, And Sonoma County Water Agency Establishing Appropriations Limits For County Government And Board Of Supervisors Governed Special Districts And County Service Areas For FY 2019-20 As Required By Article XIII B Of The California Constitution, Giving Instruction To The County Administrator And County Counsel, And Giving Notice Of Appropriate Period Of Limitation For Judicial Review.**

**Whereas**, Article XIII B of the California Constitution, added by Proposition 4 (November, 1979) and subsequently amended by Proposition 98 (November 1988) and Proposition 111 (June 1990), requires that appropriation limits be established for each entity of government having a secured property tax rate of 12.5 cents or more per \$100 of assessed valuation in 1977-78; and

**Whereas**, staff from the offices of the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller have prepared documentation necessary to establish the appropriations limits for the FY 2019-20 for county government and Board of Supervisors governed special districts and county service areas; and

**Whereas**, on October 7, 2019, documentation used in the determination of the appropriation limits and other necessary determinations was made available to the public, and due notice was given of this Board's intent to establish appropriation limits at its regularly scheduled meeting of October 22, 2019; and

**Whereas**, among the documentation made available to the public, the County Administrator has made available a copy of this resolution including the following documentation:

1. Letter from the Department of Finance, dated May 2019 marked Exhibit 'A' and attached hereto;
2. Summary of the FY 2019-20 coordinated claim for Sonoma County Transit Services approved by the Board of Supervisors on May 14, 2019 marked Exhibit 'B' and attached hereto;

3. Notice of Revenue and Appropriation Limit Adoption, marked Exhibit 'C' and attached hereto;

**Whereas**, in accordance with State law, this Board considered the establishment of the appropriation limits at its regularly scheduled meeting on October 22, 2019.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** by the Board of Supervisors that the following appropriations limits are hereby adopted for Sonoma County and special districts and county service areas governed by the Board of Supervisors:

**FY 2018-19 Appropriations Limits**

Sonoma County - See Notes (A) and (B) below	\$676,171,139
Sonoma County Water Agency – Zone 2A	\$12,445,465
County Service Area #41 (Roseland)	\$529,909
County Service Area #41 (Sonoma Valley)	\$614,777
County Service Area #40 (Fire Services) – See Note (C) below	\$3,001,043
County Service Area #41 (Lighting District)	\$1,955,286
CFD #4 Wilmar	\$494,200
CFD #5 Dry Creek	\$494,200
CFD #7 Mayacamas	\$123,543
Bittner Lane Permanent Road District	\$11,347
Monte Rosa Div. #1 Permanent Road District	\$10,131
Peaks Pike Permanent Road District	\$11,348
Sonoma County Open Space District	\$67,557,855

- (A) Sonoma County's limit was decreased by (\$647,046) due to the reduction of tax support for refuse disposal operations. The Constitution and enabling state legislation requires that if tax support of a service is reduced, and fees are increased to offset the reduction of tax support, the limit must be decreased by an equivalent amount.
- (B) Sonoma County's limit was increased for the city-county agreement for transit services. The appropriations limit increase includes \$5,099,979 for FY 2018-19 to the County from the cities for transportation tax (Transportation Development Act) financed transit services performed by County for cities.

**Be It Further Resolved** that this Board finds that the public meeting of October 22, 2019 to establish the FY 2019-20 Appropriations Limits was noticed on October 7, 2019 by publication in the Santa Rosa Press Democrat; the documentation and materials supporting necessary determinations to establish the FY 2019-20 Appropriations Limits have been available for public review since

October 7, 2019 at the County Administrator's Office; and that pursuant to the provisions of Section 7910 of the Government Code, any action or proceeding to review, attack, set aside, void, annul or amend the action taken by the Board of Supervisors, acting as the governing body of the County of Sonoma and the governmental entities described herein, by this Resolution or the appropriations described herein must be commenced within 45 days of the date of adoption of this Resolution; and

**Be It Further Resolved** that this Board anticipates additional clarification of the provisions of Article XIII B of the California Constitution through anticipated opinions of the County Counsel of this County and counsel for other counties and other public agencies, opinions of the Attorney General, case law and additional implementing legislation. Because these clarifications may result in the necessity of reviewing the limit calculations, the County Administrator and the County Counsel are directed to advise this Board, from time-to-time, on changes in the law that may necessitate such limit modifications; and

**Be It Further Resolved** that this Board will authorize via a resolution any additional adjustments to the limit as permitted by Article XIII B for transfers of responsibility for services; and

**Be It Further Resolved** that this Board reserves the authority to make changes to the appropriations limits based on revised Appropriations Limit Procedure Guidelines when issued by the State Controller's County Accounting Standards and Procedures Committee, and when other necessary population and non-residential property value change information becomes available.

**Supervisors:**

Gorin:                      Zane:                      Gore:                      Hopkins:                      Rabbitt:

Ayes:                      Noes:                      Absent:                      Abstain:

**So Ordered.**