



SONOMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

575 ADMINISTRATION
DRIVE, ROOM 102A
SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

Susan Gorin, First District
David Rabbitt, Second District
Chris Coursey, Third District
James Gore, Fourth District
Lynda Hopkins, Fifth District

Sheryl Bratton, County Administrator
Robert Pittman, County Counsel

Monday, August 29, 2022

8:30 AM

Virtual

Special Closed Session

8:30 A.M. CALL TO ORDER

8:38 A.M. The Board meeting was called to order.

Present: David Rabbitt, Chris Coursey, Lynda Hopkins, and James Gore

Absent: Susan Gorin

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(Items may be added or withdrawn from the agenda consistent with State law)

8:40 A.M.

Item 6 Withdrawn

Board Action: Approved as amended.

Aye: Coursey, Hopkins, and Gore

Absent: Gorin

Abstain: Rabbitt

II. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

8:41 A.M. Public Comment on Closed Session Items Opened

Speakers:

None

8:42 A.M. Public Comment on Closed Session Items Closed

Supervisor Gorin joined the meeting during Closed Session.

III.

CLOSED SESSION CALENDAR

1. Public Employee Appointment-County Administrator. Agency Negotiator: Christina Cramer, Director of Human Resources (Government Code Section §54957(b)(1)) [2022-0934](#)

Department or Agency Name(s): Human Resources

No reportable action was taken-the Board gave direction to the County's Negotiator, Christina Cramer.

2. The Board of Supervisors, the Board of Directors of the Water Agency, the Board of Commissioners of the Community Development Commission, and the Board of Directors of the Agricultural Preservations And Open Space District will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Labor Negotiators: Agency Negotiators: Christina Cramer/Jeremia Mills, County of Sonoma and Rick Bolanos, Liebert Cassidy Whitmore. Employee Organizations: All. Unrepresented employees: All, including retired employees. (Government Code Section §54957.6.) [2022-0591](#)

No reportable action was taken-the Boards gave direction to their Labor Negotiators.

3. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - *California Coastkeeper v. County of Sonoma*; Sonoma County Superior Court Case No. SCV268718 (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).) Board Meeting: August 29, 2022 [2022-0955](#)

No reportable action was taken-the Board gave direction to Staff and Legal Counsel.

4. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2). One matter related to: Our Kids Our Future Petition. [2022-0946](#)

By a vote of 5 to 0, the Board approved a request for a conflict of interest waiver to allow Olson Remcho to represent the proponents of the petition in this matter and to concurrently continue its representation of the County of Sonoma in regards to campaign finance matters. The Board further directed County Counsel to sign the conflict of waiver document.

5. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2). 1 Case. [2022-0963](#)

No reportable action was taken-the Board gave direction to Staff and Legal Counsel.

6. The Board of Supervisors will consider the following in closed session: Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2). One personnel matter. [2022-0965](#)

Item 6 was withdrawn prior to the meeting and was not considered by the Board.

IV. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION WILL BE HELD AT THE AUGUST 30, 2022 REGULAR MEETING.**V. ADJOURNMENT**

8:42 A.M. The Board adjourned the meeting and moved to Closed Session.

The meeting was adjourned to August 30, 2022 at 8:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted, Marcie Woychik, Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board