



Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

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

Staff Name and Phone Number: Michelle Norman, 707-565-2241

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Recommended Action:

Approve the Appointment of Alanya Navarro Blake as an Alternate Member to the Assessment Appeals Board for a term of three years beginning September 6, 2021, and ending September 2, 2024. (Countywide)

Executive Summary:

The Board of Supervisors are responsible for appointments to over 75 Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Task Forces. Vacancies and upcoming expiring appointments are posted on the County's list of Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Task Forces.

Rule 50 of the Board Rules of Procedures states that the Clerk of the Board shall convene staff to review prospective countywide appointments and make appointment recommendations to the Board. The current item recommends appointment of Alanya Navarro Blake as an Alternate Member to the Assessment Appeals Board.

Discussion:

The Assessment Appeals Board constitutes the Board of Equalization for Sonoma County and has the power to equalize the valuation of taxable property within the county for the purpose of taxation, as provided by applicable law. The Board consists of three members and three alternates. Appointees must have a minimum of five years professional experience in this state as one of the following: certified public accountant or public accountant, licensed real estate broker, attorney, property appraiser accredited by a nationally recognized professional organization, or a property appraiser certified by the Office of Real Estate Appraisers, or a property appraiser certified by the State Board of Equalization. Appointment terms are for three years, beginning the first Monday in September of term year start.

The Assessment Appeals Board supports a critical role in resolving valuation disputes between property owners and the Assessors' Office. When an appeals Board is not appointed, or does not have quorum, the Board of Supervisors shall serve as the County Board of Equalization. The Assessment Appeals Board has an Alternate Member unscheduled vacancy for the term of September 5, 2022, through September 1, 2024, as Ross Liscum transitioned from Alternate Member to General Member per Board approval on May 14th, 2024. The appointment of Alanya Blake Navarro would fill the unscheduled vacancy.

A graduate of California State University and third generation appraiser, Alanya Navarro Blake has extensive experience working within the Sonoma County real estate market in various capacities. Alanya is licensed as a Certified Residential Real Estate Appraiser through the California Bureau of Real Estate Appraisers effective

November 20, 2013, and as a Real Estate Broker through the California Bureau of Real Estate Appraisers effective August 24, 2016. Alanya has served as a member of the Kawana Springs Elementary School Site Council and La Familia de Kawana Springs (Parent Organization) since 2022, and as Vice President of La Familia de Pawana Springs since 2023.

Strategic Plan:

N/A

Prior Board Actions:

N/A

FISCAL SUMMARY

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

N/A

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

N/A

Attachments:

Recommended Application

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