



MERCED COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2000

Closed Session – 9:00 a.m.

Regular Meeting – 10:00 a.m.

MERCED COUNTY
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
2222 "M" STREET
BOARD ROOM, THIRD FLOOR
MERCED, CALIFORNIA 95340
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During regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
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SCHEDULED ITEMS

9:00 A. M.

CLOSED SESSION - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR: It is the intention of the Board to meet in Closed Session concerning a conference with County of Merced negotiators, Gregory Wellman-County Administrator and Bev Morse-Assistant County Administrator concerning negotiations with American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Units 4, 5, 6, and 8 and Independent Employees of Merced County (IEMC), Unit 3

9:00 A. M.

CLOSED SESSION – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION:

It is the intention of the Board to meet in Closed Session concerning a conference with Legal Counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, Subdivision (c) as follows:

EPA Unilateral Administrative Order No. 98-12 (PRC Patterson Superfund Site)

RECONVENED AT 10:00 A.M. AND THE CHAIRMAN ADVISED DIRECTION WAS GIVEN TO STAFF

10:00 A. M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BUDGET TRANSFERS FROM REVENUES (4/5 Vote Required)

Ag. Commissioner-\$100, Health-\$13,500, Probation-\$2,650 and Public Works-\$30,000 and 22,800

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL

PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON ANY MATTER OF PUBLIC INTEREST WITHIN THE BOARD'S JURISDICTION INCLUDING ITEMS ON THE BOARD'S AGENDA, EXCEPT FOR THOSE ITEMS SPECIFICALLY SCHEDULED AS PUBLIC HEARINGS (See Board Clerk - Testimony limited to five minutes per person)

UC MERCED PROJECT

REVIEW BOARD ORDER – PAGE 10

(1) Liaison and Project Director Report

RECEIVED REPORT FROM LIAISON REPRESENTATIVE KATHLEEN CROOKHAM AND PROJECT DIRECTOR GREG WELLMAN

(2) Actions/Direction

A. UC Merced/Castle Air Force Base Project Developer Contract for special services with James Forsberg and approve necessary budget transfer.

AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 200086 AND APPROVED BUDGET TRANSFER -\$22,500 AYES: ALL

(3) Public Comment

LYDIA MILLER, REPRESENTING SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY RAPTOR CENTER, SUBMITS CORRESPONDENCE DATED MAY 1, 2000 FROM BRANDT-HAWLEY & ZOIA RE: UC MERCED – SAN JOAQUIN SITE SELECTION PROJECT, 1995 EIR #94022033

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA CALENDAR

(Items #1 – 24 EXCLUDING #19, 24 AND 24a)

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA CALENDAR ITEMS #19, 24 and 24a

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL

APPROVAL OF CONSENT COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY AGENDA CALENDAR (Items #25 - 27)

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL

10:00 A. M.

GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54950 COMPLIANCE (LATE AGENDA ITEMS) REVIEW BOARD ORDER – PAGE 11
***ADDED AGENDA ITEMS**
THE BOARD FINDS THE NEED, SUBSEQUENT TO THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA, TO TAKE ACTION ON ENTERTAINMENT CONTRACTS FOR THE SPRING FAIR AND PLACES THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION AYES: ALL
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 200062 WITH EDDIE MONEY AND NO. 200063 WITH TRACE ADKINS FOR ENTERTAINMENT SERVICES AT THE MERCED COUNTY SPRING FAIR AYES: ALL

10:30 A. M.

PUBLIC WORKS – PUBLIC HEARING
REVIEW BOARD ORDER – PAGE 10
To consider Resolution to summarily vacate a portion of Toews Avenue right-of-way west of Whealan Road in the Planada area
APPROVED AND ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-66 AYES: ALL

PUBLIC WORKS – PUBLIC HEARING
REVIEW BOARD ORDER – PAGE 10, 11
To consider Resolution to create the “Atwater Rural Residential Center #1 Bridge and Major Thoroughfare Area of Benefit”
APPROVED AND ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-67 AYES: ALL

BUSINESS-ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES
REVIEW BOARD ORDER – PAGE 11
Merced County Business Outreach Program
RECEIVED REPORT AND ENDORSED MERCED COUNTY BUSINESS OUTREACH PROGRAM AYES: ALL

REPORTS/BOARD DIRECTION
County Administrator
County Counsel
Board of Supervisors Members

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items #1 – 24)
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL

1. Approve Travel Requests for Health and Private Industry Training Department as recommended by Administration.
2. Approve Budget Transfers for Human Services Agency-\$44,252; Area Agency on Aging-\$17,877 and District Attorney-\$29,415 as recommended by Administration.
3. Authorize Overhire of one Assessment Clerk I/II for a Limited Term Position for a period one day less than six months, Assessor.

4. Act on Claims for Damages submitted by Roy Henry Gooden, Sally Andrade, Thomas Kevin Williams, Casandra Soto, Kizzy Fisher, Karen Johnson and Eugene Chavez, Risk Management.
5. Authorize waiving restriction on the use of amplified sound equipment by the Gateway Community Church in the immediate area outside of Lake Yosemite-Fish and Game Building during church/baptism service on July 16, 2000 from 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Public Works.
6. Approve Planada Community Day Committee/Le Grand Community Day Committee request to waive the park rules restricting amplified music and liability insurance requirements for May 13, 2000 for Planada Parade/Celebration and May 27, 2000 for Le Grand Parade/Celebration, Public Works.
7. Set public hearing for June 6, 2000 at 10:30 a.m. to consider An Ordinance entitled User Charge Rates for Zones of Benefit establishing the FY 2000/2001 County Service Area Number One User Charge Rates (Repeals Ordinance No. 1626), Public Works.
8. Certify Election Results for Dos Palos Oro-Loma School District held on April 11, 2000, Clerk-Registrar of Voters.
9. Approve Special Election for Weaver Union School District Bond Measure to be held on June 6, 2000, Clerk-Registrar of Voters.
10. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 8965 with Probation for Interdepartmental Services for three Full Time and one Half Time Probation Officers, Mental Health.
11. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9341 with Los Banos Drug Company for provision of services to consumers, Mental Health.
12. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 9792 with Community Action Agency to modify and increase funding by \$4,662 for the Brown Bag Program, Area Agency on Aging.
13. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 5623 with Brawley Enterprises for office space for Private Industry Training Department Youth Office, Private Industry Training Department.
14. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 99087 with Milhous Children Services for additional funds to place children in need of subacute residential treatment who are at risk of state hospitalization on an as needed basis, Mental Health.
15. Authorize Overhire of Family Support Supervisor for a maximum of two pay periods in the Family Support Division, District Attorney.
16. Proclaim May, 2000 as "Mental Health Month" in Merced County, Mental Health.
17. Proclaim May, 2000 as "Drug Court Month" in Merced County, Mental Health.

18. Authorize Certificates of Recognition to the following Outstanding Volunteers selected for the Sixth Annual Recognition Ceremony by Congressman Condit: Officer Darlene Penn-Merced Police Department, Peg McDonald-Parks and Recreation Committee; Volunteers of Castle Air Force Museum-Preserving Air Force Heritage and Youth Education; George Sziraki-Atwater Stadium Committee; Frank Flynn-Atwater Police Volunteers; Barbara Ratzlaff-City of Livingston; Jerry Westlake-Dos Palos Merchants Association; Augustine Provencio-Merced Police Department; Chris Bernal and Martha Nateras-Livingston Red Ribbon Committee Co-Founder and Merced Police Department Volunteers, Board of Supervisors.
19. Authorize Certificate of Recognition for the Grand Opening of the Child Development Center held on April 19, 2000, Board of Supervisors.
20. Authorize Certificate of Recognition for Joe and Theresa Giannone's 50th Wedding Anniversary, Board of Supervisors.
21. Authorize Certificates of Recognition to the students honored at the 11th Annual Career Development Conference Awards by Jobs for California Graduates Program as follows: Public Speaking – Stephanie Wade (Merced High) 3rd Place, Mark Melville (Gustine High) 2nd Place, Stacia Mendonca (Gustine High) 1st Place; Decision Making – Sarah Gifford (Chowchilla High) 3rd Place, Samara Stewart (Los Banos High) 2nd Place, Alexis Sapien (Golden Valley High) 1st Place; General Interview – Erika Nava (Le Grand High) 3rd Place, Johnny Nuchols (Golden Valley High) 2nd Place, Bernie Hinojos (Los Banos High) 1st Place; Vocational Interview – Jose Delgado (Le Grand High) 3rd Place, Griselda Orellana (Los Banos High) 2nd Place, Amber Martinez (Le Grand High) 1st Place; Research Paper – Sylvia Larios (Merced High) 3rd Place, Daniel Silviera (Gustine High) and En Soksan (Awater High) 1st Place, Board of Supervisors.
22. Authorize Certificates of Recognition for the 1999 Dispatcher of the Year Awards Banquet for Atwater Police-Craig Williams, Merced Police-Molly Behn, Los Banos Police-Teresa Salter and Livingston Police-Maria Madrid, Merced Sheriff Department-Anthony Kinney, California Dept. of Forestry-Mark Johnson, California Highway Patrol-Tamara Bates and Riggs Ambulance-Kimberly Burks and Matthew Kalar, Board of Supervisors.
23. Authorize Certificate of Recognition for Ray Razo, Jr. for his selection as Boy of the Year by the California Police Activities League, Board of Supervisors.
24. Adopt Resolution adjourning the Meeting in memory of Dr. Robert King for his volunteer services to the County of Merced, Board of Supervisors.
- 24a. Adopt Resolution in conjunction with action taken by the Board on April 18, 2000 for a non-revolving line of credit with County Bank-Los Banos to provide payment to sellers of the Jr. Livestock Auction in an amount up to \$550,000 bearing an interest rate of 9% which will be donated back to The Fair as a contribution upon redemption of principal and interest, Spring Fair.

ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-65

CONSENT/COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY AGENDA (Items 25 - 27)

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL

25. Approve and authorize Community Action Agency Request for Proposal for P.G.&E. for Grant Funding in the amount of \$38,249.45 to be used for outreach and to enroll Merced County's vulnerable population in the CARE program Outreach Pilot Project.
26. Approve and authorize a 2.6% Cost of Living Allocation (COLA) for all Head Start staff, Quality Improvement and Training and Technical Assistance Funding allocations and add new Head Start position and adopt job description for Early Childhood Behavior Interventionist.
27. Accept and place CAA Information, Staff and Committee Reports on file.

REGULAR CALENDAR

BOARD ACTION

28. Public Works re: Resolution in support of "The Fair Competition and Tax Payers Savings Act".
PULLED FROM DISCUSSION - NO ACTION TAKEN
29. Public Works re: Contract Award to Gillig Corporation for 35 Foot Advance Design Bus (ADB) purchases for Merced County Transit for period April 18, 2000 through April 17, 2005 with initial order of 2 buses and the option to buy up to 48 additional buses during the term of the Contract.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 200085
AYES: ALL
- 29a. Public Works re: Authorize Purchase of Computer Equipment and CAD Software for Professional Services Division, to be coordinated through General Services and approve necessary budget transfer in the amount of \$19,800.
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL
30. Health re: Amendment to Contract No. 7266 with State Office of AIDS for additional funds in the amount of \$26,969 and approve the necessary budget transfer in the amount of \$2,937. (4/5 Vote Required)
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL
31. Health re: Contract with State Department of Health Services for Ryan White CARE Act Funding for April 1, 2000 through March 31, 2001 and approve the necessary budget transfer in the amount of \$35,360. (4/5 Vote Required)
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 200087
AYES: ALL
32. Private Industry Training Department re: Contract with Brawley Enterprises for Private Industry Training Department One-Stop Center office space.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 200088
AYES: ALL

33. Business-Economic Opportunities re: Application for Continued Funding of Procurement Technical Assistance Center Program with Department of Defense.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 9926
AYES: ALL
34. Human Services Agency re: Contract with Center for Public Policy Studies to monitor progress of participants in Welfare-to-Work programs in a Five County Region.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 200090
AYES: ALL
35. Human Services Agency re: Community Service Plan.
ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-68 TO APPROVE MERCED COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY COMMUNITY SERVICE PLAN **AYES: ALL**
36. Administration re: Resolution to amend the Solid Waste Joint Powers Agreement to include support for a Beverage Container Recycling Program and a fund request to the State Dept. of Conservation. **REVIEW BOARD ORDER – PAGE 12**
AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO. 8950 WITH CITIES OF ATWATER, DOS PALOS, GUSTINE, LIVINGSTON, LOS BANOS AND MERCED FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES TO INCLUDE FUNDING REQUEST FOR NEW BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING PROGRAM TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE STATE DEPT. OF CONSERVATION AND ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-69 **AYES: ALL**
37. Administration re: Authorize reallocation of 10% of Fiscal Year 99/00 Realignment Funds from the Mental Health Realignment Trust Fund to the Social Services Realignment Trust Fund to cover the increased General Fund costs in Social Services realignment programs.
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED **AYES: ALL**
- 37a. Administration re: Approve Addendum to the March, 1998, MOU between Merced County and the Independent Employees of Merced County (IEMC) representing Unit 3-General Administrative Support and authorize signing and adoption of appropriate Resolutions.
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED **AYES: ALL**
- 37b. Board of Supervisors re: Merced County Profile.
APPROVED PUBLICATION OF THE MERCED COUNTY PROFILE AND THE COUNTY SEAL FOR A CALIFORNIA BLUE BOOK SESQUICENTENNIAL PUBLICATION BY THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE **AYES: ALL**
- 37c. Ag. Commissioner re: MOU in support of Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter Task Force; add one Agricultural Biologist I/II, Range 55.3; approve necessary budget transfer in the amount of \$35,000 and adopt Resolution. (4/5 Vote Required)
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED AG. COMMISSIONER TO SIGN CONTRACT/MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE GLASSY-WINGED SHARPSHOOTER TASK FORCE AND ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-70
AYES: ALL

38. Board of Supervisors re: Committee/Commissions and Boards.

Retirement Board

REAPPOINTED JANEY CABRAL TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE RETIREMENT BOARD UNTIL JULY 1, 2003

May Day Fair Board

APPOINTED HANK STRENGTH TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE MAY DAY FAIR BOARD REPRESENTING DISTRICT 3 UNTIL JULY 1, 2003

AYES: ALL

(a) Vacancy Lists for All Boards – April, 2000

(b) Listing of Pending Expirations for Month – April, 2000

(c) Listing of Pending Expirations for Month – May, 2000

REPORTS FILED–NO ACTION TAKEN

BOARD INFORMATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL

39. Business-Economic Opportunities re: AT&T Broadband & Internet Service.

40. Private Industry Training Department re: PITD Report – April 2000 Issue.

41. California Workforce Investment Board re: Application and procedures for Local Workforce Investment Board (Local Board) Certification which is required to fully implement the Workforce Investment Act in your Local Workforce Investment Area. (On file with Clerk)

42. Governor's Office of Emergency Services re: Notification that U.S. Small Business Administration has declared that small non-farm businesses in the counties of Fresno, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Mono, Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo and Tulare may apply for Economic Injury Disaster Loans for working capital needs and covers businesses that have been economically impacted by the loss of crops caused by freezing temperatures, rain, snow, hail and high winds which occurred April 1-28, 1999.

43. Governor's Office of Emergency Services re: Notification that U.S. Small Business Administration has declared that small non-farm businesses in the counties of Fresno, Inyo, Kings, Madera, Merced, Mono, Monterey, San Benito, and Tulare may apply for Economic Injury Disaster Loans for working capital needs and covers businesses that have been economically impacted by the loss of crops caused by a severe storm, including hail, high winds and rain which occurred on June 2, 1999.

44. U.S. Dept of Housing and Urban Development re: The Public Housing Assessment System.

45. Valley Children's Hospital re: 1999 Annual Report. (On file with Clerk)

46. State Water Resources Control Board re: Notice of Petition for Temporary Change Involving the Transfer of 35,767 acre-feet of water to areas within the Westlands Water District, under California Dept. of Water Resources' Permit 16482 (Appl. 17512). (On file with Clerk)

47. California Regional Water Quality Control Board re: Notice – Tentative Order for City of Gustine Wastewater Treatment Facility Merced County, Rescinding Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 96-193 (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. CA0081272, Cease and Desist Order No. 96-194 and Special Order No. 99-003.
48. California Dept. of Child Support Services re: Local Agency Transition – Administrator Appointments.
49. U.S. Dept. of Interior re: Notice of 90-Day Finding for a Petition to Delist the Vernal Pool Fairy Shrimp and Vernal Pool Tadpole Shrimp. (On file with Clerk)
50. State Fish and Game Commission re: Joint Meeting Notice with Board of Forestry – May 2, 2000.
51. State Water Resources Control Board re: Notice to all agencies seeking assistance from the Small Community Grant Program – Preliminary Project Priority List.
52. State Fish and Game Commission re: Notice of Proposed Regulatory action regarding Aquaculture Registration Requirement as it relates to brine shrimp that will appear in the California Regulatory Notice Register.
53. Merced County Chamber of Commerce re: Letter of support for the site selection of UC Merced.

THE BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS AND ADJOURNED THE MEETING IN MEMORY OF J.H. "JACK" DAMBACHER AND DR. ROBERT KING UNTIL MAY 9, 2000 AT 10:00 A.M.

SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES – BOARD ORDERS – MAY 2, 2000

10:00 A. M. SCHEDULED ITEM
2000-05-02 UC MERCED PROJECT

Liaison Representation Kathleen Crookham and UC Project Director Gregory Wellman provide UC Project update reports.

Following discussion and upon motion of Supervisor Crookham, seconded by Supervisor Rivero, duly carried, the Board approves and authorizes the Chairman to sign Contract No. 200086 with James Forsberg for UC Merced/Castle Air Force Base Project Special Services and approves the necessary budget transfer in the amount of \$22,500.

Ayes: O'Banion, Cortez Keene, Crookham, Rivero, Kelsey

Lydia Miller, representing the San Joaquin Raptor Rescue Center, submits and reads a letter dated May 1, 2000 from Brandt-Hawley & Zoia regarding UC Merced – San Joaquin Site Selection Project 1995 EIR #94022033.

Present: O'Banion, Cortez Keene, Crookham, Rivero, Kelsey

10:30 A. M. SCHEDULED ITEM
2000-05-02 PUBLIC WORKS - Public Hearing – Resolution to Summarily Vacate a portion Toews Avenue

The time and date previously set for a public hearing to consider a Resolution to Summarily Vacate a portion of Toews Avenue right-of-way located west of Whealan Road in the Planada area submitted by Public Works.

The Chairman asks if there is anyone present who would like to speak. No one speaks.

Upon motion of Supervisor Kelsey, seconded by Supervisor Crookham, duly carried, the Board adopts the Summary Vacation of a portion of Toews Avenue located in Section 32, Township 7 South, Range 15 East, M.D.B. & M. in the Planada Area and adopts Resolution No. 2000-66.

Ayes: O'Banion, Cortez Keene, Crookham, Rivero, Kelsey

10:30 A. M. SCHEDULED ITEM
2000-05-02 PUBLIC WORKS - Public Hearing – Atwater Rural Residential Center (RRC) No. 1 Bridge and Major Thoroughfare Area

The time and date previously set for a public hearing to consider a Resolution to create the Atwater Rural Residential Center No.1 Bridge and Major Thoroughfare Area of Benefit submitted by Public Works.

The Chairman asks if there is anyone present who wishes to speak. No one speaks.

Following discussion and upon motion of Supervisor Kelsey, seconded by Supervisor Crookham, duly carried, the Board approves the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring Program; authorizes creation of the Atwater Rural Residential Center No.1 Bridge and Major Thoroughfare Area of Benefit and the establishment of an Interest Bearing Capital Projects Fund and adopts Resolution No. 2000-67.

Ayes: O'Banion, Cortez Keene, Crookham, Rivero, Kelsey

ADDED AGENDA ITEM / LATE ITEM

2000-05-02 ADMINISTRATION/SPRING FAIR

Upon motion of Supervisor Kelsey, seconded by Supervisor Cortez Keene, duly carried, the Board finds the need, subsequent to the posting of the agenda, to consider the Spring Fair Entertainment Contracts and places the items on the agenda of May 2, 2000.

Ayes: O'Banion, Cortez Keene, Crookham, Rivero, Kelsey

Upon motion of Supervisor Rivero, seconded by Supervisor Cortez Keene, duly carried, the Board approves and authorizes the Chairman to sign Contract No. 200062 with Eddie Money in the amount of \$18,250 and Contract No. 200063 with Trace Adkins in the amount of \$25,000 for performance at the Spring Fair upon review of County Counsel.

Ayes: O'Banion, Cortez Keene, Crookham, Rivero, Kelsey

10:30 A. M. SCHEDULED ITEM

2000-05-02 BUSINESS-ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES – Merced County Business Outreach Program

Business-Economic Opportunities (BEO) Director John Fowler introduces Merced County Economic Development Corporation (MCEDCO) Outreach Director Amber Houska and Business-Economic Opportunities Marketing and Business Retention Director Mary Cervantes to review the Merced County Business Outreach Program.

Following discussion and upon motion of Supervisor Crookham, seconded by Supervisor Cortez Keene, duly carried, the Board endorses the County of Merced Business Outreach Program and authorizes the Chairman to sign introductory letters, as needed for specific company/business interviews and surveys.

Ayes: O'Banion, Cortez Keene, Crookham, Rivero, Kelsey

ACTION ITEM NO. 36

2000-05-02 ADMINISTRATION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES/PUBLIC WORKS

Upon Motion of Supervisor Rivero, seconded by Supervisor Cortez Keene, duly carried, the Board approves and authorizes the Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 8950 with the Cities of Atwater, Dos Palos, Gustine, Livingston, Los Banos and Merced for Solid Waste Disposal Services to include funding request for New Beverage Container Recycling Program to be submitted to the State Department of Conservation and adopts Resolution No. 2000-69.

Ayes: O'Banion, Cortez Keene, Crookham, Rivero, Kelsey