



**MERCED COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES**

Regular Meeting
TUESDAY, JULY 11, 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
(209) 385-7366

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JOE RIVERO.....DISTRICT 3
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COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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COUNTY COUNSEL

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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 :** It is the intention of the Board to meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, Subdivision (e):
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
Title: Planning and Community Development Director

CLOSED SESSION - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION: It is the intention of the Board to meet in Closed Session concerning significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: One Case
RECONVENED AT 10:10 A.M. AND THE CHAIRMAN ADVISED CLOSED SESSION WAS HELD AND WILL BE CONTINUED UNTIL 1:00 P.M.

10:00 A. M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATION OF SERVICE PINS

20 Years of Service: Private Industry Training - Terry Tatum

25 Years of Service: Human Services Agency – Hub Walsh

Reception in Room 310 will be held in honor of the presentation

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

- Liaison and Project Director Report

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

- Actions/Direction
- Public Comment

PRESENTATION - Various Business Leaders – Discussion of county business operations REVIEW BOARD ORDER – SEE PAGE 12

RECEIVED TESTIMONY FROM BOB CARPENTER (on behalf of business community) AND FRANK BORGHESS (Frank Borghess & Associates); ACKNOWLEDGED THE ONE-STOP SHOP PROPOSAL IS SET FOR JULY 25, 2000 AND COMMITTEE TO REVIEW/INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITY OF DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONAL MODELS TO BRING BACK TO THE BOARD FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA CALENDAR (Items # 1– 46)
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED (Item #1 pulled) AYES: ALL

APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR (Items # 47 – 56)
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL

CASTLE JPA REVIEW BOARD ORDER – SEE PAGE 14

- Report
- Possible Action
 - 1. Counsel re: Review of July 13, 2000 Agenda

THE BOARD REVIEWED THE AGENDA OF JULY 13, 2000 AND DIRECTION WAS GIVEN TO REPRESENTATIVES AND STAFF
AYES: ALL

- 2. Administration re: Continued discussion on Alternative Models for Governance of Castle Air Force Base

ACCEPTED REPORT AND DIRECTED STAFF TO COME BACK WITH SPECIFIC FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS AYES: ALL

10:30 A. M.

GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54950 COMPLIANCE (LATE AGENDA ITEMS)

ADDED AGENDA ITEM: REVIEW BOARD ORDER – SEE PAGE 14
THE BOARD FINDS THE NEED, SUBSEQUENT TO THE POSTING OF THE
AGENDA, TO TAKE ACTION ON A GRANT APPLICATION FROM THE
SHERIFF AND PLACES THE ITEM ON THE AGENDA FOR
CONSIDERATION **AYES: ALL**

AUTHORIZED THE SHERIFF TO APPLY FOR A \$75,000 GRANT FOR
VIDEO TELECONFERENCING PROJECT THAT WILL ASSIST THE
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICES IN CONFIRMING THE
IDENTIFICATION OF ILLEGAL AND CRIMINAL ALIENS IN CUSTODY
THROUGH THE DEPT. OF JUSTICE, COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING
SERVICES AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN APPROPRIATE
ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS

AYES: ALL

11:00 A. M.

PRESENTATION - Private Industry Training Department

REVIEW BOARD ORDER – SEE PAGE 13

Center for Public Policy Studies, Calif. State University-Stanislaus

Labor Market Study by Drs. Steve Hughes and Kenneth Entin

RECEIVED REPORTS

REPORTS/BOARD DIRECTION

County Administrator

County Counsel

County Auditor

Board of Supervisors Members

LUNCH BREAK

1:30 P. M.

MAYORS COUNCIL JOINT DISCUSSION

REVIEW BOARD ORDER – SEE PAGE 13

RECEIVED TESTIMONY FROM CITY OF MERCED MAYOR MARY JO
KNUDSEN, CITY OF GUSTINE MAYOR SOUZA AND CITY OF DOS PALOS
MAYOR WESTLAKE AND SETS JULY 25, 2000 TO CONSIDER
SECURITIZATION OF SETTLEMENT FUNDS

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items #1 - 46)

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED **AYES: ALL**

1. Authorize Overhire of One Ombudsman Program Manager, Area Agency on Aging.

THIS ITEM PULLED AND NOT APPROVED

1a. Approve Travel Request from Human Services Agency as recommended by Administration.

2. Adopt Resolution Restricting Parking on a portion of State Highway 33 in Santa Nella community, Public Works.
ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-124
3. Adopt Resolution authorizing Director of Public Works to sign Federal Apportionment Exchange and State Match Program Agreement to exchange Federal Funds with Non-Federal State Highway Account Funds, Public Works.
AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT AND ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-125
4. Adopt Resolution establishing a 55 Miles Per Hour Speed Zone on Santa Fe Drive between State Highway 59 and 1000' Southeast of the Spaceport Entry (Gate Two) and authorize installation and maintenance of speed limit signs, Public Works.
ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-126
5. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 8978 with Bible Christian Church for Church Services in the Le Grand Courts Building, Public Works.
6. Adopt Resolution and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 6929 with State Water Resources Control Board for Underground Storage Tank Program for FY 2000/01, Health.
ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-127
7. Adopt Resolution and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 10233 with State Water Resources Control Board for Dairy Improvements in connection with State Revolving Fund Animal Confinement Drainage Improvement Project, Health.
ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-128
8. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9624 with Merced Faculty Associates for Medical Services, Nurse Practitioner Services and Supervision of the Correctional Health Services Program, Health.
9. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 8400 with State Dept. of Health Services for Medi-Cal Administrative Activities for FY 2000/01, Health.
10. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 99160 with Merced County Office of Education for two Deputy Probation Officers currently located on the campus at Valley Community School, Probation.
11. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 5700 with Jimmy and Virginia Ford for Crisis Home services on a short term basis to in-county runaway/out-of-control youth, Probation.
12. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 7704 with Calif. Dept. of Pesticide Regulation for Pesticide Application Report for FY 2000/01, Ag. Commission.
13. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 8367 with City of Dos Palos for Dispatch Services, Sheriff.

14. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9390 with Human Services Agency for continuation of CalWORKs Fraud Investigation Program, District Attorney.
15. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9379 with Human Services Agency for Food Stamp Fraud Investigation Program, District Attorney.
16. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9468 with Lao Family Community, Inc. to provide Child Abuse Prevention Classes in Merced County Schools, Human Services Agency.
17. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 8824 with Monetary Management of California, Inc. dba Money Mart for Food Stamp Issuance, Human Services Agency.
18. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 10042 with Andrew Neufeld, Ph.D. for Child Welfare Counseling services, Human Services Agency.
19. Adopt Resolution and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 99157 with Calif. Dept. of Aging for Community Based Service Programs, Area Agency on Aging.
ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-129
20. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9771 with Sutter Merced Medical Center for support and ancillary services, Mental Health.
21. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 10026 with Health and Probation to provide medical and clinical staff at Juvenile Hall on a daily basis, Mental Health.
22. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 8058 with Fresno Care and Guidance for consumer services, Mental Health.
23. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 99019 with The Bridge, J. Stanley Bunce, Ph.D. for special services to Sexual Offenders Program, Employee Assistance Program and Officers Assistance Program, Mental Health.
24. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9697 with Madera County Mental Health to provide hospitalization services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries, Mental Health.
25. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9950 with Evans Private Security Patrol for special services at Marie Green Psychiatric Center, Mental Health.
26. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 8056 with Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc. for special services, Mental Health.
27. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 7994 with Client Development Programs, Inc. to provide employment, case management and a drop-in center to consumers, Mental Health.
28. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 99087 with Milhouse Children Services for Residential Treatment Special Services, Mental Health.

29. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 7572 with Davis Guest Home for supplemental services for Merced County Board and Care consumers for FY 2000/2001, Mental Health.
30. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 7572 with Davis Guest Home for supplemental services for Merced County Board and Care consumers for FY 1999/2000, Mental Health.
31. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 99199 with C & D Guest Home for special services, Mental Health.
32. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 99180 with Public Defender Office for special legal services as required by Superior Court and Lanterman-Petris-Short Act Conservatorship, Mental Health.
33. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 8548 with Human Services Agency for Mail Delivery Services, Mental Health.
34. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 8361 with Health Dept. for Mail Delivery Service, Mental Health.
35. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9122 with Staff Care for provision of temporary locum tenens psychiatrists, Mental Health.
36. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 99077 with Health Department to provide Urine Drug Assay Testing Services, Mental Health.
37. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 9115 with Merced Adult School to provide Basic Education Services, PITD.
38. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9776 with Microcomputer Educational Center for Vocational Skills Training to JTPA participants, PITD.
39. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 10072 with VIA Adventures, Inc. to extend transportation for WIA participants to out-of-town training sites, PITD.
40. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 99222 with State Employment Development Dept. to provide job development and placement services for Youth, PITD.
41. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Contract No. 2000155 with State Employment Development Department for operation of mandated One-Stop partners and the Interim Workforce Investment Board (WIB), PITD.
42. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 99138 with Public Works to provide Welfare-to-Work activities, PITD.

43. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment to Contract No. 99159 with Moss-Adams, LLP for County Audit services including Audits of the District Attorney functions, Auditor.
44. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 6423 with Liebert Cassidy for Negotiation and Consulting Services, Administration.
- 44a. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 5283 with Freese & Gianelli Claims Services, Inc. for Liability Claims Administration Contract for FY 2000/2001, Administration.
45. Authorize Certificates of Recognition for The Greater Merced Chamber of Commerce 2000 Outgoing Officers Annual Award Recipients as follows: Business of the Year-McLane Pacific; Small Business of the Year-Yosemite Floral; Home Based Business of the Year-Fresh Off the Grill; Associate Member of the Year-Gayle Callahan and Kathleen Crookham; ATHENA Recipient-Sharon Mogliotti and Citizen of the Year-Bob Rucker, Board of Supervisors.
46. Authorize Certificate in Celebration of 75th Birthday to Bob Ayers and Plaque in Celebration of TransCounty Title Company 15th Anniversary, Board of Supervisors.

COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR (Items #47 – 56)

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL

47. Approve and authorize CAB Chair to sign Contract with 35th District Agricultural Association for Head Start Center for portable classrooms, office space, rest rooms and playground area.
48. Approve and authorize CAB Chair to sign Contract with 35th District Agricultural Association for use of Cafeteria Building Kitchen Facilities for Head Start Program.
49. Approve and authorize CAB Chair to sign Amendment to Contract with State Dept. of Community Services and Development for increased funding in the amount of \$21,359 for Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program service to Merced and Mariposa Counties.
50. Approve and authorize Community Action Agency to submit RFP Application to Merced County Children and Families Commission for Funding in the amount of \$322,578 for expansion of Women, Infant and Children Breastfeeding Support and Promotion Services.
51. Approve and authorize Community Action Agency to submit RFP Application to Merced County Children and Families Commission for Funding in the amount of \$96,065 for Expansion of Women, Infant and Children Nutrition Education Services.
52. Approve and authorize Community Action Agency to submit Application to Calif. Dept. of Education for One-Time facilities renovation and repair funding in the amount of \$50,000 for purchase of heating and cooling systems for Child Development Center.

- 53. Approve and authorize CAB Chair to sign Contract with P.G.&E. for CARE Program Outreach Pilot Project.
- 54. Approve and authorize CAB Chair to sign Contract with State Dept. of Education for Child Development Program for FY 2000/01.
- 55. Approve and authorize CAB Chair and Executive Director to sign Community Based Organization (CBO) Grant with California Consumer Protection Foundation for the Education and Outreach Program for information on utility service providers.
- 56. Accept and place CAA Information, Staff and Committee Reports on file.

REGULAR CALENDAR

BOARD ACTION

- 57. Health re: Contract with State Dept. of Health Services for Administrative Functions funding in conjunction with AIDS Drug Assistance Program.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000146
AYES: ALL
- 58. Health re: Contract with Children and Families Commission for the Regional Immunization Registry Project.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000147
AYES: ALL
- 59. Health re: Resolution authorizing Chairman to sign Contract with Senate Rules Committee, Calif. Legislature for current office space on behalf of Senator Monteith.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000148 AND
ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-130 **AYES: ALL**
- 60. Health re: Contract with Children and Families Commission for First Steps Project in the amount of \$419,239; authorize expenditure of funds for age appropriate/low cost promotional incentive items for distribution to public in conjunction with approved Scope of Work and authorize Management Services to begin recruitment as necessary.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000154
AYES: ALL
- 60a. Health re: Contract with Children and Families Commission for a Community Nutrition Education Project in the amount of \$146,620; authorize expenditure of funds for promotional and incentive items for distribution to the public in conjunction with approved Scope of Work; adopt Resolution changing the Nutritionist classification salary from Range 60.9 to Range 65.5 and authorize Management Services to begin recruitment as necessary.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000145 AND
ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-131 **AYES: ALL**
- 61. Probation re: Authorize purchase of Identified Clothing for Juvenile Hall Staff employees.
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED **AYES: ALL**

62. Probation re: Contract with Children and Families Commission for the Strengthen and Alter Family Environment (S.A.F.E.) Project and authorize Management Services to begin recruitment as necessary.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000149
AYES: ALL
63. Spring Fair re: Authorize General Services to solicit proposals for Carnival Services to be provided for Spring Fair for Calendar Year 2001 through 2005.
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL
64. Mental Health re: Contract with Residential Care Homes of Merced for Residential Services.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000150
AYES: ALL
65. Private Industry Training Department re: Contract with Merced College for the Pre-Apprentice Training Program.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000151
AYES: ALL
66. Retirement Board re: Authorize no change in Retirement Rates as of adoption on September 3, 1999.
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL
67. Private Industry Training Department re: Contract with State Employment Development Department for Title I Workforce Investment Act Funds to provide for Workforce Development Activities in Merced County.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000152
AYES: ALL
68. Business-Economic Opportunities re: Request for Joint Venture Proposal FOCUS Program Contract Award of Category A., E-Government Services Items 1-5 to EDS Corporation.
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000153
AYES: ALL
69. Auditor re: Authorize issuance of a Cash Flow Loan from the General Fund to the 97 Home First-Time Home Buyer Program Grant Trust for an amount not to exceed \$150,000.
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL
70. Auditor re: Resolution Amending Revenue and Reimbursement Fee Policy.
PULLED FROM AGENDA – NO ACTION TAKEN
71. Counsel re: Resolution Calling for Election of the first Board of Trustees for the San Luis Canal Reclamation District (Reclamation District No. 2131) for September 25, 2000 pursuant to California Water Code Sections 50600 et. Seq. and 50700 et. Seq., and appoint an Election Board pursuant to California Water Code Section 50700 consisting of David Carlucci, Jack Threlkeld and Michael L. Mason as inspector and judges of Election for said first Board of Trustees.
APPROVED AND ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2000-132 AYES: ALL

- 71a. Administration re: Ratification of Addendum to May 7, 1998 Memorandum of Understanding with Merced County Lawyers Association representing Unit 7 – Attorneys.
APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED AYES: ALL
72. Board of Supervisors re: Committee/Commissions and Boards.
 Appeals Board/Grievance Committee
APPOINTED GARY FERRERO-REGULAR AND MICHAEL PARISH-ALTERNATE AS MCSEA REPRESENTATIVES UNTIL 4/30/2001; JOHN CARLISLE-REGULAR AND GREG BANDA-ALTERNATIVE AS AFSCME REPRESENTATIVES UNTIL 4/30/2001; ROBIN HAND-REGULAR AND COLLEEN VIEYRA-ALTERNATE AS IEMC REPRESENTATIVES UNTIL 4/30/2001 AND HAVEN P. COURTNEY AS EXTERNAL HEARING OFFICER CHAIR AND RALPH TEMPLE AS ALTERNATE UNTIL 4/30/2001 AYES: ALL

BOARD INFORMATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE AYES: ALL

73. Public Works re: Notice of Contract Award to Far West Safety for Construction of Stop Ahead Signs and Pavement Markings at Various Locations.
AUTHORIZED PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TO SIGN CONTRACT NO. 2000124
74. Weaver Union School District re: Resolution certifying all proceedings in the June 6, 2000 General Obligation Bond Election.
75. Kern County Board of Supervisors re: San Francisco Airport Expansion Bay Fill Project.
76. Mariposa County Board of Supervisors re: Objection to Environmental Impact Scoping Report on the San Francisco Airport Expansion Bay Fill Project.
77. San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District re: REMOVE Program Request for Proposal. (On file with Clerk)
78. State Employment Development Department re: Calendar of Events – June 2000.
79. Bureau of Reclamation re: Invitation to attend Public Workshop to preview the new Water Management Planner - Guidebook, Plan Formats and Supporting Software.
80. State Water Resources Control Board re: Notice of Petition for Temporary Change involving the Transfer of 86,580 acre-feet of water to areas within the Westlands Water District, under California Dept. of Water Resources Permit 16482 (Application 17512).
81. State Dept. of Fish and Game re: Fish and Game Commission request to investigate some potential interim management measures for California's nearshore fisheries. (On file with Clerk)
82. State Board of Equalization re: Notice of Board Action – Guidelines for the Assessment of Taxable Government-Owned Properties.

83. The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention re: Grant Applications available through competitive process: Hate Crime Prevention-A Comprehensive Approach; Information Sharing to Prevent Juvenile Delinquency-A Training and Technical Assistance Approach and Training and Technical Assistance for National Innovations to Reduce Disproportionate Minority Confinement.
84. California Workforce Investment Board re: Certificate of Local Workforce Investment Board (conditionally approved).
85. State Dept. of Conservation re: Open-File Report 99-08 entitled Mineral Land Classification of Merced County, California in accordance with Section 2762(a) of SMARA, establishing mineral resource management policies to be incorporated into local General Plan that will: (1) recognize the mineral land classification information; (2) assist in the management of land uses that affect areas containing mineral resources of statewide or regional significance and emphasize the conservation and development of identified mineral deposits. (On file with Clerk)
86. Public Policy Institute of California re: *The Rise and Fall of California's Welfare Caseload – Types and Regions, 1980 – 1999.* (On file with Clerk)
87. California State Association of Counties re: Request for Opposition Letter relative to SB 673 (Escutia).
DIRECTED STAFF TO SEND LETTER IN OPPOSITION TO SB 673 (Escutia) AND AUTHORIZED LETTER BE DISTRIBUTED TO LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIONS
88. RCRC re: Request for comment to the USDA Forest Service relative to the Forest Service Roadless Area Conservation Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

THE BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS AND ADJOURNED THE MEETING IN MEMORY OF RICHARD LEWIS, TOPPER SMITH AND DOROTHY COZZI UNTIL TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2000 AT 9:00 A.M.

BOARD ORDERS – SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES – JULY 11, 2000

10:00 A.M. SCHEDULED ITEM

2000-07-11 PRESENTATION – Various Business Leaders

Bob Carpenter appears before the Board on behalf of the Business Community of Merced County to address the future economic success of Merced County and addresses the following issues:

Organizational issues in obtaining planning permits and recommends the Board consider changes that would result in user friendly responses;

UC Merced project recommendation to get team in place that would allow the staffing of the project to be completed and move forward with this team intact; and,

Recommendation on structural organizational changes within the County to allow the Board to focus on policy making and to be only minimally involved in the action or direction of staff.

Frank Borghess, Borghess and Associates, addresses the Board on the efficiency of local, California and land use rules and regulations and recommends a One Stop Permitting Process.

Planning Director Robert Smith submits background information on the proposal to create a Development Services Center within the County Administration Building dated April 24, 2000. Planning Director Smith and Assistant Planning Director Bill Nicholson review a slide presentation outlining the proposed concept for a One Stop Shop Plan and provides information on the physical and staffing arrangements in addition to salary review stating preliminary work began in 1996.

Public Works Director Paul Fillebrown reviews options and possible site locations.

County Administrative Officer Greg Wellman submits the County Operational Structure outlining the roles of Elected Officials, Board Appointed Officials, County Appointed Officials, CAO Appointed Officials and State Appointed Officials.

Following discussion, Supervisor Kelsey expresses interest in further exploring the organizational structure of a County Executive Officer for Merced County.

Following further discussion, the Chairman designates Supervisors Crookham and Rivero be placed on a Committee with Acting County Administrator Dee Tatum and County Counsel to further investigate the possibilities that exist of different organizational models and to report back to the Board for further consideration.

Present: O'Banion, Crookham, Rivero, Kelsey

Not Present: Cortez Keene

10:00 A.M. SCHEDULED ITEM

2000-07-11 PRESENTATION - Private Industry Training Department

Dr. Ben Duran, President of Merced Community College, states the Board authorized the Center for Public Policy Studies – California State University Stanislaus to conduct a study of Merced County and requested the project contain an appraisal of demographic, economic and social trends in addition to a set of public policy options that would be based on the results. He introduces Dr. Steve Hughes and Dr. Kenneth Entin to present the labor market study findings and the project sponsors.

Present: O'Banion, Crookham, Rivero, Kelsey

Not Present: Cortez Keene

1:30 P.M. SCHEDULED ITEM

2000-07-11 MAYOR'S COUNCIL – Tobacco Settlement Revenues

County Administrator Greg Wellman submits and reviews Tobacco Settlement Report - Revenues dated July 11, 2000, Master Settlement Agreement (MSA), Treatment for Tobacco Related Illnesses, Reimbursement for Tobacco Related Illnesses, Anticipated Revenues, TSR Risk, Available Options, Non Securitization, Securitization, Proposed Funding Priorities, Anticipated Revenues, and Securitize and Establish Trust with Proceeds.

Mr. Wellman responds recommends that Staff proceed ahead with evaluating options on securitization and that Staff report back to the Board with specifics and the Board authorize the 5-year Capital Improvement Plan which the Public Works Director has submitted as part of the Proposed Budget to establish your priorities for projects.

County Counsel Dennis Myers and County Auditor-Controller Jim Ball address securitization concept.

City of Merced Mayor Mary Jo Knudsen, appears on behalf of the Mayor's Council and submits Tobacco Settlement Talking Points dated July 11, 2000 which briefly highlights the Settlement Synopsis, Current community return on property tax and the solution. She states the Mayor's feel they deserve 50% of the Tobacco Settlement for the people in the community.

The Chairman states correspondence has been received from Area Agency on Aging for senior citizens services, the medical field, the Marshal requesting funds to go into the County system and other entities and individuals that wish to share in the Tobacco Settlement funds also.

City of Gustine Mayor Fred Souza asks the Board consider the recommendation submitted by the Mayor's Council since the funds were not anticipated and the cities could distribute to their constituency the types of services that they deserve because it is their money.

City of Dos Palos Mayor Jerry Westlake request the Board meet with the Mayor's Council.

Following a lengthy discussion, the Board agrees to meet with the Mayor's Council individually and the matter is continued until August 29, 2000 for discussion during Final Budget Hearings.

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

10:00 A.M SCHEDULED ITEM

2000-07-11 CASTLE JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY – Legal Services

Chairman O'Banion states review of the Castle Joint Powers Authority Agenda for July 13, 2000 is before the Board for consideration.

Following discussion and upon motion of Supervisor Kelsey, seconded by Supervisor Rivero, duly carried, the Board approves and authorizes the Chairman to sign Renewal Contract No. 9852 with County Counsel for legal services at the Castle Joint Powers Authority on a month to month basis.

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

Following further discussion and upon motion of Supervisor Rivero, seconded by Supervisor Crookham, duly carried, the Board authorizes County representatives to vote on the Gemini Flight Building.

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

County Administrator Greg Wellman submits and reviews the Alternative Models for Governance of Castle Air Force Base prepared by Independent Consultant Jim Foresburg highlighting three Basic Models the County may chose and reviews the proposed recommendations.

Following further discussion an upon motion of Supervisor Rivero, seconded by Supervisor Crookham, duly carried, the Board accepts the Alternative Models for Governance of Castle Air Force Base as presented and directs staff to come back with specific final recommendations.

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

ADDED AGENDA ITEM

2000-07-11 ADMINISTRATION/SHERIFF – Grant Application for Video Teleconferencing Project

Upon motion of Supervisor Crookham, seconded by Supervisor Cortez Keene, duly carried, the Board finds a need, subsequent to the posting of the agenda to take action on a Grant Application from the Sheriff and places it on the agenda for possible action.

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

Upon motion of Supervisor Kelsey, seconded by Supervisor Cortez Keene, duly carried, the Board authorizes the Sheriff to apply for a \$75,000 Grant for Video Teleconferencing Project through the Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services that will assist the Immigration and Naturalization Services in confirming the identification of illegal and criminal aliens in custody.

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