



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES

JUNE 10, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

Observation of a Moment of Silence

2. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

Rules of Decorum

The Board of Supervisors welcomes the public to its meetings and encourages and appreciates public engagement. The Board of Supervisors expects members of the public to act in a courteous, civil, and respectful manner, and not make personal, impertinent, slanderous, or profane remarks to any member of the Board, staff, or the general public. The Board of Supervisors will not tolerate loud, threatening, personal, or abusive language, or disorderly conduct, which disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of Board meetings. Violation of these rules of decorum will result in the meeting being recessed.

2.1 Corrections and/or Changes to the Agenda

Item 3.4.g - on the Agenda, the total amount of the contract should state not-to-exceed \$777,511.

2.2 Announcement(s) of Recusal

3. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda will begin with any Supervisor Comments on the Consent Agenda Items, then proceed with the Adoption of the Consent Agenda. Items can be removed for further discussion at the request of a Supervisor.

The following members of the public submitted Public Comment: John Stonebraker for item 3.10.a.

Action: ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA.

Motion: Supervisor Ritter

Second: Supervisor Teeter

Motion passed unanimously with corrections to item 3.4.g.

3.1. Auditor-Controller's Office

3.1.a Amend Capital Asset Policy

The current County Capital Asset Policy was last adopted by the Board of Supervisors on June 26, 2022. Since that time, updates to the Code of Federal Regulations have necessitated changes to the County's policy in order to maintain compliance and alignment with federal requirements. Key changes to the policy include:

Federal Capitalization Threshold: The minimum threshold for capitalizing assets purchased with federal funds has been increased to \$10,000.

Intangible Asset Threshold: The minimum capitalization threshold for intangible capital assets has been increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

Estimated Life Definitions: Additional clarification has been provided for the estimated useful life of various categories of intangible assets to improve consistency in reporting and asset management.

Policy Clarification: Minor edits were made to improve the language, formatting, and organization of major asset classes for improved understanding and implementation across departments.

These revisions ensure compliance with federal regulations, reflect best practices in asset management, and support the County's financial reporting integrity. This policy will go into effect as of July 1, 2025. (AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - ADOPT AMENDED CAPITAL ASSET POLICY.

3.2. Clerk-Recorder's Office

3.2.a Contract with Netfile, Inc. (Netfile) for E-Filing System for Campaign Disclosure and Statements of Economic Interests

The Clerk-Recorder's office currently utilizes the Netfile E-Filing system to manage campaign finance and statements of economic interest filings. The system enables efficient electronic filing of records, along with storage and public access.

The on-line electronic system allows the Department to efficiently fulfill the filing officer responsibilities under the Political Reform Act. NetFile ensures that the system meets California Secretary of State and Fair Political Practices Commission standards for electronic filings and will ensure the database stays current with applicable California statutes, regulations, and forms.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the contract with Netfile for the E-Filing system. The term of the contract is August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2030, not-to-exceed \$99,000. (CLERK-RECORDER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

- 3.2.b Agreement with DFM Associates for Election Information Management System (EIMS)
EIMS is the software system used by the Clerk-Recorder's Office to manage and maintain the official voter registration database. The software system facilitates the accurate updating, verification, and organization of voter records to ensure the integrity and reliability of the electoral process.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the agreement with DFM Associates for the EIMS software system. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029, not-to-exceed \$505,632. (CLERK-RECORDER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.3. County Administration

- 3.3.a Approval of Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
Submitted for approval are the May 27, 2025 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE THE MAY 27, 2025 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES.

- 3.3.b Authorize Budget Amendment for HOME Investment Partnerships Program Income Transfer

On July 24, 2018, the Butte County Board of Supervisors authorized an application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) 2018 HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) for housing rehabilitation. The County was awarded the grant and entered a standard agreement with HCD with an end date of July 2, 2024. The standard agreement requires the County to use all available HOME program income to reimburse expenses under the award. In operating the program, the County utilized \$62,310 in HOME program income to reimburse expenditures. To close out the program, County Administration recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the budget transfer of \$62,310 from the HOME Program Income Fund to the HOME Cost Center to reimburse eligible expenditures under the 2018 HOME Housing Rehabilitation Contract. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED).

- 3.3.c Budget Amendment for Disaster Reimbursements

The County routinely submits claims to FEMA and CalOES for disaster-related costs. When the State and federal reimbursement revenues are received, the funds are deposited into the Disaster Emergency Operations Center Sub-Fund which is used to track all reimbursements from federal and State-declared disasters, and then the funds are transferred to the fund where the expense originated. The County has received FEMA revenue for Project Roomkey and the 2023 Winter Storm (\$2,546,009), State reimbursements for the 2023 Winter Storm, Camp Fire, and North Complex Fire (\$777,968), and has accumulated interest of approximately (\$2M) in the sub-fund. County Administration recommends a budget amendment increasing appropriations by \$5,323,977 to facilitate the transfer of \$4,514,517 to reimburse the General Fund and \$809,460 to

reimburse the Road Fund. These revenues have already been taken into account for the year-end fund balance estimates. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED).

3.4. Department of Behavioral Health

3.4.a Agreement with North Valley Behavioral Health, LLC (NVBH) for Psychiatric Health Facility Inpatient Services

NVBH operates a licensed 16-bed acute care psychiatric inpatient treatment facility that provides psychiatric treatment, rapid stabilization, coordinated discharge planning, and recovery with support from community-based services. Additionally, the inpatient treatment facility provides diagnostic assessment of mental health status, stabilization and maintenance of mental health conditions, improvement of patient's functioning ability and transitional planning with referrals to post-hospitalization settings. The Department of Behavioral Health recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with NVBH for inpatient services under a select choice solicitation exception. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$104,670. This agreement is not measured in terms of the number of clients served, as the length of stay varies based on each client's specific needs. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.b Agreement with Aurora Behavioral Healthcare Santa Rosa, LLC dba Santa Rosa Behavioral Healthcare Hospital (Aurora) for Inpatient Services

Aurora operates a licensed 144-bed acute care psychiatric health facility. The psychiatric health facility provides inpatient hospitalization services, which include diagnostic assessment of mental health status, psychiatric treatment, rapid stabilization, coordinated discharge planning, and transitional planning with referrals to an appropriate post-hospitalization setting for clients referred by the Department of Behavioral Health. Managed care agreements are State-mandated as the State requires Counties to contract with all providers who surpass a State-set threshold in the prior year. Aurora surpassed the threshold in fiscal years 2023-24 and 2024-25. The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with Aurora for inpatient services. The term of the contract is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027, not-to-exceed \$80,861. The agreement is not measured in terms of the number of clients served, as the length of stay varies based on each client's specific needs. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.c Mental Health Service Agreement with True North Housing Alliance, Inc. (TNHA) for Outreach and Support Services at the Torres Community Shelter

The Department of Behavioral Health contracts for specialty outreach services with service providers that offer support in a population-specific manner. TNHA is a nonprofit organization dedicated to assisting individuals experiencing homelessness to achieve self-sufficiency and a more stable lifestyle. For 18 years, TNHA has operated the Torres Community Shelter, providing shelter and related social services to those experiencing homelessness and mental health conditions in the community. Services at the Torres

Community Shelter utilize a peer-partner approach in which individuals with lived experience of either a mental health condition and/or homelessness provide outreach services. Peer partners are available during the Torres Shelter's hours of operation to engage guests, build relationships, decrease stigma around mental health conditions, and guide guests towards self-sufficiency.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with TNHA for support and outreach services at the Torres Community Shelter under a select choice solicitation exception. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$147,995. Under the agreement, TNHA has measurable goals to assist a minimum of 100 consumers in gaining employment and a minimum of 60 individuals in transitioning to housing. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN..

3.4.d Agreement with Hmong Cultural Center of Butte County (HCCBC) for Specialty Outreach Services

The Department of Behavioral Health contracts for specialty outreach services with service providers that offer support in a population-specific manner. The HCCBC provides the development and oversight of the Zoosiab Program. The Zoosiab Program is a community-based program serving Hmong elders in the County who have experienced historical trauma often associated with the Vietnam War. The program combines Western and traditional cultural practices to decrease the negative impacts of stress, isolation, stigmatization, depression, and trauma within the Hmong population. The Zoosiab Program provides resources that help decrease the cultural and linguistic barriers that the elderly Hmong population experience when accessing community and mental health services.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with HCCBC for specialty outreach services under a sole source solicitation exception. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$169,205. Under the agreement, HCCBC has a measurable outcome of serving a minimum of 90 clients. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.e Agreements with African American Family & Cultural Center (AAFCC) for Specialty Outreach Services

The Department of Behavioral Health contracts for specialty outreach services with service providers that offer support in a population-specific manner. The AAFCC was designed by community residents to address specific issues within the African American community and decrease the impact of historic and current trauma. The AAFCC provides services for early detection, prevention, and awareness of mental health illness in the County. These services include outreach to families, increasing access and linkage to medical care, reducing the stigma associated with mental illness, and reducing discrimination against people with mental illness.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with

AAFCC for specialty outreach services under a sole source solicitation exception. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$353,597. Under the agreement, AAFCC has a measurable outcome of serving a minimum of 138 clients. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.f Agreement with Stonewall Alliance of Chico (Stonewall) for Specialty Outreach Services

The Department of Behavioral Health contracts for specialty outreach services with service providers that offer support in a population-specific manner. Research demonstrates that LGBTQI+ are at a higher risk of experiencing mental health issues, and have significant higher risk of suicide and suicide ideation. On December 12, 2023, the Department released an RFP for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Inter-sex, and more (LGBTQI+) outreach specialty services. Stonewall was the only respondent, met the criteria of the RFP, and was selected for an agreement. Stonewall is a nonprofit agency serving the Northern Sacramento Valley, working to create an open, safe, and inclusive environment for members of the gender and sexual minority and ally community. Stonewall provides suicide prevention, education, and outreach services throughout the County to support LGBTQI+ youth and young adults, as well as their families, friends, allies, institutions, organizations, service providers, and educational facilities. Stonewall provides training to community organizations to promote safety, non-stigmatization, and non-discriminatory practices when supporting members of the LGBTQI+ community.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with Stonewall for specialty outreach services. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$122,236. Under the agreement, Stonewall has a measurable goal of providing training to a minimum of 1,185 participants. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.g Agreement with Northern Valley Catholic Social Service, Inc. (NVCSS) Iversen Center and North Valley Talk Line Programs for Specialty Outreach Services

The Department of Behavioral Health contracts with outreach providers for specialty outreach services. NVCSS provides specialty outreach services through the Iversen Center and the North Valley Talk Line. The Iversen Center serves clients challenged by a variety of mental health, alcohol, and substance-use issues. Services include weekly groups, organizing and planning center activities, participating in community outings, fundraising, finding support from others with similar life experiences and difficulties, and opportunities to become a peer coordinator. The North Valley Talk Line is a free, consumer-run, peer-support, telephone service that offers nonemergency, non-crisis support, and referrals.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with NVCSS for specialty outreach services at the Iversen Center and North Valley Talk Line under a select choice solicitation exception. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$775,511-\$777,511. Under the agreement, the Iversen Center has goals of providing support, education, medication services, and

connecting clients to primary care. The North Valley Talk Line has a measurable goal of maintaining a minimum of 1,000 outreach hours by peer advocates annually. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.h Agreement with Northern Valley Catholic Social Service, Inc. for the Promotores/Txhawb Outreach Services

On February 3, 2023, the Department of Behavioral Health released an RFP for Prevention and Early Intervention services for Promotores/Txhawb outreach services. NVCSS was the only respondent and was selected for the award. The RFP is valid for three years. NVCSS provides Latino Promotores and Hmong Tus Txhawb programs. Both programs are designed to provide strength-based, wellness-focused services, and group support. Services include outreach and education, mental health consultation, youth services (ages 6 to 17), and early intervention services. The services and groups are located in various community locations. The involvement of local residents, who are trained as community health promoters and community liaisons, is vital to the success of the programs.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with NVCSS for Promotores/Txhawb outreach services. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$229,684. Under the agreement, NVCSS has a measurable outcome of serving a minimum of 240 participants. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.i Agreements (2) with Dreamcatchers Empowerment Network (Dreamcatchers) for State Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) and County-led Vocational Rehabilitation Services

The DOR contracts with the County to provide client services and administer agreements with select providers to augment the State's Vocational Rehabilitation Program. The Department of Behavioral Health contracts with Dreamcatchers under the provisions and budget set forth by DOR to provide vocational services. These services assist clients to develop or re-establish interpersonal skills, work behaviors and functional capacities to achieve and maintain positive employment outcomes.

In addition to DOR vocational services, the County contracts with providers for County-led vocational services. These services include employment preparation, job skills development, and job placement within the County. In January 2023, the Department released an RFP for County-led vocational services. The RFP is valid for three years. The Department received two responses: Caminar of Chico, CA and Dreamcatchers of Fairfield, CA. The RFP was awarded to both respondents.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve two agreements with Dreamcatchers for DOR and County-led vocational services. The term of both agreements is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. The DOR services agreement is not-to-exceed \$171,899, and the County-led services agreement is not-to-exceed \$141,233 (total amount of \$313,132). Under the agreements, Dreamcatchers is assigned measurable goals to provide supported employment vocational training and vocational rehabilitation

services. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE THE AGREEMENTS (2) AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.j Agreement with Youth For Change (YFC) for Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Housing Assistance Program

On March 6th of 2023, the Department of Behavioral Health released a RFP for Housing Assistance Programs for TAY population (ages 16 through 25). YFC was the only respondent and was awarded the agreement. YFC is a nonprofit organization licensed by the State to provide specialty mental health treatment and support services to the community. YFC specializes in community collaboration, which supports the healing of children and families. The TAY Housing Assistance Program serves the seriously mentally ill, homeless or at risk of homelessness who have no other options for housing.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with Youth For Change for TAY housing assistance. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$118,675. Under the agreement, YFC has measurable outcomes to provide transitional housing to a minimum of two clients and provide housing placement to a minimum of seven clients. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.k Agreement with Youth For Change (YFC) 6th Street Center for Youth Mental Health Services

YFC operates the 6th Street Center, which provides youth mental health services through its Community Support Services program, which caters to homeless youth, ages 14 to 24. The Community Support Services program includes assessment, treatment plan development, rehabilitation, therapy, targeted case management, crisis intervention, and peer support.

The Department of Behavioral Health recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with YFC 6th Street Center under a select choice solicitation exception. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$107,026. YFC 6th Street has measurable goals that include providing mental health services to a minimum of 250 clients. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.l Agreement with Youth for Change (YFC) 6th Street for Client Support Services

YFC operates the 6th Street Center, which provides youth outreach and support to homeless youth between the ages of 14 and 24. The center provides groups, classes, and workshops for youth which focus on the development of independent living skills, youth leadership opportunities, and healthy use of leisure time. The center provides amenities such as shower facilities, access to computers, laundry services, food, clothing, and hygiene items.

The Department of Behavioral Health recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with YFC for client support services under a select choice solicitation exception. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$428,665. Under the agreement, YFC has measurable goals to providing emotional support and mental health services to a minimum of 220 youth, transitioning a minimum of 20 youth into housing, and assisting a minimum of 80 youth in accessing school education. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.m Contract with Debra Villasenor for Housing Consultant Services

Debra Villasenor provides a wide array of services associated with the identification, development, and operation of housing for clients with serious mental illness. Housing services include determining the housing needs of clients, identifying accessible housing, building partnerships with housing owners and property management firms to obtain more available units for clients, developing plans for the use of housing funds, and ensuring compliance with reporting requirements of housing grants. The Department of Behavioral Health requires assistance in identifying housing projects, securing project partners for housing initiatives, and technical assistance with housing policy as mandated by federal and State agencies. The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with Debra Villasenor for Housing Consultant Services under a select choice solicitation exception. The term of the contract is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027, not-to-exceed \$146,395. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.n Amendment with Thomas Cuisine Management LLC dba Thomas Cuisine for Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) Meal Services

On April 4, 2022, the Department of Behavioral Health released an RFP for PHF meal services and did not receive any responses. After extensive research, Thomas Cuisine was found to be the only vendor available to provide PHF meal services within the allowed budget. On June 7, 2024, the Department of General Services approved an agreement with Thomas Cuisine for PHF meal services. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, not-to-exceed \$94,373. Under the agreement, Thomas Cuisine prepares meals for inpatient clients within the County-run PHF located at 592 Rio Lindo Ave, Chico, CA 95926. To avoid disruption of service while a new RFP is being developed, the Department of Behavioral Health recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an amendment to extend the term of the agreement six months, through December 31, 2025, amend the scope of work to include the revised fee schedule, and increase the maximum payable amount by \$51,724, not-to-exceed \$146,097. All other terms remain the same. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AMENDMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.o Amendment to Dan R Ledford dba Accularm Security Agreement for Security System Monitoring and Reporting

In July 2024, the Department of Behavioral Health entered into an agreement for security system monitoring and reporting with Accularm Security via a non-competitive solicitation

exception. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, not-to-exceed \$13,542. Accularm Security provides security system monitoring and reporting for the majority of the Department's facilities. The Department has additional facilities opening in Oroville and Paradise that require monitoring and reporting services. The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an amendment to extend the term of the agreement through June 30, 2026, and increase the maximum payable amount by \$15,152, not-to-exceed \$28,694. All other terms remain the same. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AMENDMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.5. Department of Development Services

- 3.5.a Transfer Management of the PG&E Restitution Sub Fund from Butte County Fire Department to the Department of Development Services For Enforcement of Chapter 38A
On February 9, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved amendments to Chapter 38A of the Butte County Code, titled "Fire Prevention and Protection," to incorporate wildfire safety requirements and enforcement provisions designed to mitigate the impacts of future wildfires on Butte County communities. Butte County Fire Department and the Department of Development Services jointly administer a program to implement Chapter 38A. Under the program, parcels that do not reach voluntary compliance with safety requirements are escalated to the Department of Development Services Code Enforcement to abate hazardous vegetation.

To support the cost of the enforcement provisions of Chapter 38A, the Butte County Fire Department transfers funding from the PG&E Restitution sub fund to the Department of Development Services. The sub fund was created from a settlement agreement with PG&E for the Honey Fire that occurred in 2017. The funds are restricted to the implementation of Chapter 38A. The estimated current balance is \$784,097.

Since 2021, the Department of Development Services has abated 15 hazardous parcels, with an additional four coming into voluntary compliance for a total cost of \$317,258. To support the abatement of fire hazards in the County under Chapter 38A, the Fire Department and Development Services recommend that management of the restricted sub fund be transferred to the Department of Development Services. The Department will budget the remaining funds as a part of the annual budget process. (DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE TRANSFERRING THE MANAGEMENT OF THE RESTRICTED SUB FUND FROM FIRE DEPARTMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED).

- 3.5.b Contracts (2) with Juan Sanchez, dba Sierra Excavating LLC for Abatement Services
On April 22, 2025, the Board of Supervisors approved funding to abate nine parcels deemed a public nuisance and posing a safety risk to the community. The Department of Development Services published Requests for Quotations (RFQ) for the abatement of three of the parcels. The Department received five bids and Sierra Excavating LLC was the lowest bidder. The Department recommends that the Board approve two contracts with

Sierra Excavating LLC to abate the three parcels located at 1150 Marian Avenue, Chico; 620 Oasis Drive, Chico; and 0 Midway, Nelson. The terms of the contracts are upon execution for a term of 30 days, not-to-exceed a cumulative total of \$57,871. (DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACTS (2) AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.6. Department of Employment & Social Services

3.6.a Contract with Victor Community Support Services for Parent Education Services

Victor Community Support Services has been providing mental health, social and educational support services to children, parents, and families across California for the past 55 years. In 2004, the organization opened its Butte County office in Chico, focusing on Child and Family Teaming, Wraparound Services, community, clinic, and school-based mental health services.

Parent Education Services provide a supportive and safe environment for children, parents, and families involved in the child welfare system, or who are at risk of entering it. Parent Education Services consists of parent support groups and parent education classes. Parent support groups encourage parents to speak openly about their struggles, successes, and personal experiences, and to accept support from others facing similar challenges. Parent education classes use evidence-based practices - such as the Nurturing Parent Program, The Nurtured Heart Approach, PRIDE Skills, Incredible Years, and Positive Discipline for Parenting in Recovery - to teach parents self-awareness, coping skills, co-parenting strategies, empowerment, effective communication, and other techniques.

The Department of Employment and Social Services recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with Victor Community Support Services for Parent Education Services. The term of the contract is July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$250,000. (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.6.b Contract with Help Central Inc. for CalFresh, Elders, and Vulnerable Adults Education and Outreach Services

Help Central Inc. is a nonprofit organization established to facilitate and improve public access to essential health and human services. Help Central Inc. operates the HelpCentral.org website and the 2-1-1 Call Center, both designed to provide residents with a way to quickly find low-cost and no-cost health and human services in Butte County. Last year Help Central Inc. provided Butte County residents with over 10,000 referrals for a wide variety of services including over 3,000 referrals to local food pantries, elder nutrition education services, elder meal delivery programs, and referrals to the Department of Employment and Social Services to secure CalFresh benefits.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with Help Central, Inc. for CalFresh, Elders, and Vulnerable Adults Education and Outreach

Services. The term of the contract is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028, not-to-exceed \$60,000. (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.6.c Contract with Butte-Glenn Community College District, dba Butte College for The Training Place Training Services

The Butte-Glenn Community College District has a team of professional instructors who offer educational programs that meet the needs of the Department of Employment and Social Services. The educational programs utilized by the Department include Microsoft Excel, Safety Programs, Emerging Leaders, and Supervisor Series. In FY 2024-25, 37 staff members attended and benefited from various available courses.

The Department recommends entering into a contract with Butte College for The Training Place Training Services. The term of the contract is July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$39,500. (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.6.d Resolution Recognizing June 2025 as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month and June 15, 2025 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

The California Commission on Aging partnered with the California Elder Justice Coalition in 2015 to pass a resolution declaring the month of June to be Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month. The month was chosen to align with the World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, established by the United Nations and recognized around the world each year on June 15. Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month aims to promote awareness, education, and resources to combat abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults.

The Department of Employment and Social Services recommends the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution recognizing June 2025 as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month in Butte County, and June 15, 2025 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.7. Department of General Services

3.7.a Amendment to Contract with American Alarm Co. Inc. (American Alarm) for the Jail Camera and Integrated Security System Upgrade and Replacement Project

On October 22, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved a contract with American Alarm for the upgrade and replacement of the integrated security and camera systems at the County jail facilities. The original scope of work was based on the original system design, which included the installation of 88 cameras in 2011. Since then, additional cameras have been installed to comply with evolving legislative requirements. A joint assessment by American Alarm and County staff identified 30 additional existing cameras that need to be replaced as part of the system upgrade. American Alarm has proposed completing the replacement of these 30 cameras for a not-to-exceed cost of \$106,522. The Department

recommends approval of a contract amendment increasing the not-to-exceed total to \$858,801 and extending the term to September 18, 2025. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AMENDMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.7.b Amendment to Contract with LACO Associates (LACO) for Design Services related to the St. John's Mountain Communication Vault Replacement Project

The Department of General Services entered into a professional services agreement with LACO for the amount of \$96,150 to provide design and engineering services for the St. John's Mountain Communication Vault Replacement Project. The original scope of work included civil and structural engineering for foundations, solar array design, and compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act. The Department now recommends approval of a contract amendment in the amount of \$112,800 to expand the scope of services to include geotechnical investigation, testing and reporting, communication vault and generator design, and construction administration services. This amendment would result in a revised not-to-exceed contract amount of \$208,950. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AMENDMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.8. Department of Human Resources

3.8.a Resolution to Amend the Salary Ordinance

The Department of Human Resources recommends the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution amending the Salary Ordinance for the following departments to reflect changes to Sunset/Term positions as proposed in the Recommended Budget:

Behavioral Health: Extend 8 flexibly staffed Behavioral Health Counselor Sunset positions from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026, 3 Behavioral Health Counselor Term positions from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026, and 1 Peer Support Specialist Term position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026. Total allocations to remain unchanged.

County Administration: Extend 1 Administrative Technician Sunset position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2027. Total allocations to remain unchanged.

Development Services: Extend 2 flexibly staffed Code Enforcement Officer Term positions from 6/30/2025 to 12/30/2028, 1 flexibly staffed Office Assistant Sunset position from 6/30/2025 to 12/30/2028, and 1 Information Technology Manager Term position from 6/30/2025 to 9/30/2025. Total allocations to remain unchanged.

District Attorney: Extend 1 Crime Analyst Sunset position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026 and 1 Investigative Assistant Sunset position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026. Total allocations to remain unchanged.

Employment and Social Services: Convert 1 Housing Navigator Sunset 6/30/2025 position

to Regular Help. Extend 1 Housing Navigator Sunset position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026. Total allocations to remain unchanged.

Information Systems: Extend a 0.75 flexibly staffed Management Analyst Term position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026. Total allocations to remain unchanged.

Library: Extend a 0.5 flexibly staffed Library Assistant Sunset position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026. Total allocations to remain unchanged.

Probation: Extend 4 flexibly staffed Deputy Probation Officer Sunset positions from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026,

Public Health: Extend 1 Environmental Health Technician Term position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026. Change the end date of 1 vacant flexibly staffed Public Health Laboratory Technician/Microbiologist Term position from 6/30/2026 to 6/30/2025. Total allocations to remain unchanged.

Sheriff-Coroner: Extend 4 flexibly staffed Deputy Sheriff Sunset positions from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2028, 1 Sheriff Community Service Officer Term position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2030, 1 flexibly staffed Deputy Sheriff Term position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2030, 1 Sheriff's Sergeant Term position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2026, 1 Sheriff's Sergeant Term position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2030, 1 Sheriff's Sergeant Sunset position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2028, and 1 Sheriff's Lieutenant Term position from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2028. Total allocations to remain unchanged.

Water and Resource Conservation: Change the end date of 1 vacant Program Coordinator Sunset position from 6/30/2026 to 6/30/2025. As of July 1, total allocations to decrease by one.

In addition, the Department of Human Resources recommends approval of an update to the Salary Ordinance for the Probation Department to convert 1 Fiscal Manager position to one that is flexibly staffed and includes the Senior Fiscal Manager classification. This change will address the growing complexity of fiscal oversight responsibilities and ensure appropriate coverage for higher-level budget and financial management tasks. Total allocations to remain unchanged.

Human Resources: Amend Section 28O "Classifications With Flat Rate Assignments" for specific Flat Rate Classifications consistent with the July 2025 wage adjustment adopted by other employee groups. Except for the Deputy Sheriff Trainee, these classifications are all extra help and temporary in nature. (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.8.b Contract Amendment with LWP Claims Solutions for Workers' Compensation Claims Administration

The County contracts with LWP Claims Solutions for claims administration services for the County's self-insured Workers' Compensation Program. These services include such activities as: investigating claims, adjusting and settling claims; maintaining claim

documentation; monitoring defense plans and costs for litigated claims; reporting claims to the County's excess insurer; and maintaining an automated claim reporting system. The Department of Human Resources recommends amending the contract with LWP Claims Solutions for continued claims administration services. The amendment extends the term of the contract by two years through June 30, 2027, and increases the maximum financial obligation by \$634,150, not-to-exceed \$1,112,225. (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AMENDMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.8.c Side Letter Agreements with Teamsters General and Mid-Management Units-Behavioral Health Program Pay Differential Update

The Behavioral Health Department is required to provide 24-hour crisis services at a number of facilities throughout the County. Due to the intensity of these services, the Department has had, and continues to have, difficulty recruiting and retaining staff at these sites. In an effort to attract qualified applicants and retain existing personnel, the County and Union agreed as part of this Side Letter Agreement to increase the Behavioral Health Program Differential Pay adopted by the Board on May 27, 2025 from 10% to 15% for the employees assigned to these 24-hour crisis services locations. This change shall be effective July 5, 2025 consistent with other approved compensation changes in adopted MOUs. All other programs/locations that currently received Behavioral Health Program Differential as part of the recently approved MOUs, shall remain at 5% pay. (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

Action Requested - ADOPT SIDE LETTER AGREEMENTS (2) AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.8.d Update to the Resolution Establishing Limited Benefits for Extra Help Appointments-Behavioral Health Program Pay Differential

On April 23, 2024 the Board of Supervisors approved Resolution 24-061 which specified benefits and conditions of employment for extra help employees, including the 5% site differential for certain extra help staff assigned to Behavioral Health. Consistent with the Side Letter Agreements recommended for regular help employees, this updated resolution is recommended to reflect the same changes outlined in the Side Letter Agreements to increase the pay differential for certain programs within Behavioral Health. (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.9. Department of Public Health

3.9.a Resolution Continuing the Local Health Emergency Proclamation for Park and Thompson Fires

Former Butte County Health Officer, Dr. David Canton, declared a local health emergency in Butte County on July 27, 2024, due to the Park Fire that started on July 24, 2024. The Park Fire destroyed 428 structures in the County, resulting in a large amount of debris which contains hazardous materials. On August 7, 2024, the Health Officer expanded the

local health emergency to include the Thompson Fire. The debris poses a substantial present and potential hazard to human health and the environment unless managed properly.

Per California law, once the proclamation is ratified it must be renewed every 30 days. The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors renew the local health emergency declaration for the Park and Thompson Fires. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.10. Fire Department

3.10.a Adoption of an Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Chapter 38A, Entitled "Fire Prevention and Protection," of the Butte County Code

On May 27, 2025, the Butte County Board of Supervisors approved waiving the initial reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 38A of the Butte County Code. The proposed amendment updates fire break requirements, adds definitions for clarity, and expands enforcement provisions. Additionally, the updates authorize staff to issue citations and record notices of noncompliance, consistent with procedures outlined in Butte County Code Chapter 41. (FIRE DEPARTMENT)

Action Requested - ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.10.b Adoption of an Ordinance for the CAL FIRE Local Responsibility Area (LRA) Fire Hazard Severity Zone (FHSZ) Map Update

On May 27, 2025, the Butte County Board of Supervisors approved waiving the initial reading of an ordinance regarding updates to the LRA FHSZ map. Under California law, CAL FIRE must develop FHSZ maps for LRAs. Following Government Code section 51179(a), once the Office of the State Fire Marshal issues its recommendations and designates zones as moderate, high, or very high fire hazard, the County must either adopt the map as presented or increase the severity ratings in designated zones. (FIRE DEPARTMENT)

Action Requested - ADOPT ORDINANCE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.10.c Authorizing Acceptance of the CAL FIRE Wildfire Prevention (WP) Direct Award Grant

The WP Grant, funded by CAL FIRE's California Climate Investments (CCI), supports wildfire prevention and hazardous fuels reduction projects. This \$360,000 WP grant will fund the purchase of a mulcher tractor and cover two years of fuel and maintenance. Adding the mulcher to the Fire Department's fleet will accelerate wildfire risk reduction and fuels mitigation efforts in Paradise and Forbestown over the next two years, and throughout the County thereafter. The grant does not require a local match. After the grant period, the Butte County Fire Department will assume responsibility for ongoing maintenance and indirect costs. The Fire Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the acceptance of the WP Direct Award Grant and authorize the Butte County Fire Chief, or Designee, to sign all related documents. (FIRE DEPARTMENT)

Action Requested - AUTHORIZE THE BUTTE COUNTY FIRE CHIEF, OR DESIGNEE, TO ACCEPT THE GRANT AND SIGN ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS.

3.11. Department of Public Works

3.11.a Capital Asset (20) Surplus Vehicles for Auction

The Board of Supervisors has the authority to declare surplus vehicles that are no longer serviceable or no longer needed by the County. The Department of Public Works recommends that the Board declare 20 vehicles surplus to the County's needs, remove the vehicles from the capital asset ledger, and authorize the County Purchasing Agent to auction these items. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Action Requested - DECLARE CAPITAL ASSETS (20) SURPLUS TO THE NEEDS OF THE COUNTY.

3.11.b Resolution of Intent to Establish the Butte County Permanent Road Division Zone 006 and to Impose Parcel Charges for Road and Storm Drainage Maintenance

On June 27, 2006, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 06-102, establishing the use of a countywide Permanent Road Division (PRD). A PRD is a special district formed to help new development fund the maintenance of its roads and related infrastructure through annual property tax assessments. Under this Resolution, new developments can form special Zones of Benefit to define properties included within the PRD on approval by the Board.

The Planning Commission approved the Tentative Map for the Moon Tower Estates Subdivision on January 23, 2020. The proposed project will create eight residential lots in the Chico Sphere of Influence. The developer has been working to satisfy all conditions of approval necessary to record the Final Map for the project. The Developer has applied to form a Zone of Benefit within the Butte County Permanent Road Division, which is a condition of approval of the Tentative Map.

Forming a Zone of Benefit requires a Resolution of Intent to establish the Butte County Permanent Road Division Zone of Benefit. Upon Board approval, a future public hearing must consider testimony to establish the Zone of Benefit and a Resolution of Formation for the Zone of Benefit. The public hearing and the Resolution of Formation for this Zone of Benefit will be considered by the Board on July 29, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.
(DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.11.c Resolution of Intent to Establish the Butte County Permanent Road Division Zone 007 and to Impose Parcel Charges for Street Lighting, Road Maintenance, and Storm Drainage Maintenance

On June 27, 2006, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 06-102, establishing the use of a countywide Permanent Road Division (PRD). A PRD is a special district formed to help new development fund the maintenance of its roads and related infrastructure through annual property tax assessments. Under this Resolution, new development can form special Zones of Benefit to define properties included within the

PRD on approval by the Board.

The developer of the Orchardcrest Subdivision in the Thermalito area has applied to form a Zone of Benefit within the Butte County Permanent Road Division. Forming a Zone of Benefit requires a Resolution of Intent to establish the Butte County Permanent Road Division Zone of Benefit. Upon Board approval, a future public hearing must consider testimony to establish the Zone of Benefit and a Resolution of Formation for the Zone of Benefit. The public hearing and the Resolution of Formation for this Zone of Benefit will be considered by the Board on July 29, 2025, at 10:45 a.m. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN.

4. **REGULAR AGENDA**

4.1 **Board Member/Committee Reports and Board Member Comment**

Supervisor Connelly - Attended Feather River Recovery Alliance meeting.

Supervisor Durfee - Escorted the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Wall and attended a press conference regarding Prop 36.

Supervisor Ritter - Attended Local Master Plan on Aging Advisory meeting, Continuum of Care Households with Children meeting, 5 Mile Diversion meeting, Passages Volunteer Luncheon, Emergency Operations regarding 211 services meeting, and Local Pride Festival.

Supervisor Kimmelshue - Thanked Staff for leading the 5 Mile Diversion project.

Supervisor Teeter - Attended Sierra Nevada Conservancy meeting and Basin Line Air Pollution Control Council meeting,

4.2 **Public Comment**

Comments to the Board on issues and items not listed on the agenda. Pursuant to California State law, the Board of Supervisors is prohibited from taking action on any item not listed on the agenda. Please note that Public Comment is in two separate sections. One, at the beginning of the regular agenda, which will last a maximum of 15 minutes, with another to follow as the last item on the regular agenda with no time limits.

The following members of the public submitted Public Comment: Diana Dreiss (electronically and in person), The Camera Man, and John Stonebraker.

4.3 **Appointments to the Butte County Children and Families Commission (First 5)**

First 5 is part of a statewide effort to create a system of integrated and comprehensive programs to provide parental education and family support services. First 5 is a nine-member commission comprised of one member of the Board of Supervisors; the Directors

or designee of the Departments of Public Health, Behavioral Health, and Employment and Social Services; and members of the public that work in fields that include early childhood development, childcare, child resources, pediatric healthcare, and education.

Holly Kralj, Matthew Reddam are incumbents seeking reappointment as Regular Members. Paul Arnold is currently serving as an Alternate Member on the Commission, but due to a recent vacancy, the Commission has requested that he is appointed as a Regular Member. Amy Asher has requested to be appointed to serve as an Alternate Member.

First 5 recommends the Board of Supervisors appoint Paul Arnold and Matthew Reddam as representatives of a Local School District; Holly Kralj to serve as representative of a Local Medical Society; and Amy Asher as an Alternate to serve as a representative of a Local Group for Prevention or Intervention for Families at Risk. Each applicant would serve a three-year term ending June 30, 2028. (OTHER)

Action Requested - APPOINT PAUL ARNOLD AND MATTHEW REDDAM AS REPRESENTATIVES OF A LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT; HOLLY KRALJ TO SERVE AS REPRESENTATIVE OF A LOCAL MEDICAL SOCIETY; AMY ASHER AS AN ALTERNATE COMMISSIONER, TO SERVE AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF A LOCAL GROUP FOR PREVENTION OR INTERVENTION FOR FAMILIES AT RISK, EACH TO SERVE ON THE BUTTE COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM ENDING JUNE 30, 2028.

Melissa Kitts, Assistant Clerk of the Board, presented this item to the Board.

No public comment was received for this item.

Action Requested - APPOINT PAUL ARNOLD AND MATTHEW REDDAM AS REPRESENTATIVES OF A LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT; HOLLY KRALJ TO SERVE AS REPRESENTATIVE OF A LOCAL MEDICAL SOCIETY; AMY ASHER AS AN ALTERNATE COMMISSIONER, TO SERVE AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF A LOCAL GROUP FOR PREVENTION OR INTERVENTION FOR FAMILIES AT RISK, EACH TO SERVE ON THE BUTTE COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM ENDING JUNE 30, 2028.

Motion: Supervisor Ritter

Second: Supervisor Connelly

Motion passed unanimously.

4.4 Resolution Approving the County Service Area (CSA) and Permanent Road Division (PRD) Policy Guidelines and Rescinding Resolution 13-080

CSAs and PRDs are special districts established by county governments to provide specific services to designated areas. These services include street lighting, stormwater and drainage, sewer systems, fire protection, road maintenance, and other local amenities. CSAs operate under the governance of the Board of Supervisors and were designed to

fund services not provided by the County. Over the past five decades, CSA revenues have been affected by changes in State law and voter-approved initiatives, including Proposition 13 (1978) and Proposition 218 (1996). As a result, maximum parcel charges have remained largely unchanged since 1996. Meanwhile, rising costs due to deferred maintenance, regulatory requirements, and administrative challenges have made it increasingly difficult for the County to meet service demands and prompted a reassessment of CSA and PRD policies.

On April 22, 2025, the Department of Public Works presented an update outlining CSA and PRD funding shortfalls and service challenges. The Board directed the Department to develop a formal policy to guide current and future CSAs and PRDs. The proposed policy rescinds Resolution 13-080 and aligns future CSAs and PRDs with County core service capabilities. It provides a framework for addressing current funding issues and promoting long-term financial sustainability. The Department recommends the Board adopt a Resolution approving the Butte County CSA and PRD Policy Guidelines and Rescinding Resolution 13-080. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Action Requested - ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BUTTE COUNTY COUNTY SERVICE AREA AND PERMANENT ROAD DIVISION POLICY GUIDELINES AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION 13-080.

Joshua Pack, Director of Public Works, presented this item to the Board.

No public comment was received for this item.

Action Requested - ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BUTTE COUNTY COUNTY SERVICE AREA AND PERMANENT ROAD DIVISION POLICY GUIDELINES AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION 13-080.

Motion: Supervisor Connelly

Second: Supervisor Ritter

Motion passed unanimously.

4.5 Receive the Butte County Fiscal Year 2025-26 Recommended Budget and Set Budget Hearings for June 24, 2025 at 1:00 PM

The FY 2025-26 Recommended Budget serves as the basis for budget hearings to be scheduled on June 24, 2025 at 1:00 pm. Budget hearings provide an opportunity for the community to comment on the Recommended Budget, and for the Board of Supervisors to make adjustments to the budget. The Recommended Budget is the work product of many County employees in all 23 departments. The efforts and cooperation put forth by department heads and staff resulted in a balanced recommended spending plan. The Recommended Budget may be found at:
<https://www.buttecounty.net/1427/Budget> (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - SET THE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2025 AT 1:00 PM.

Andy Pickett, Chief Administrative Officer, presented this item to the Board.

The following members of the public submitted Public Comment: John Stonebraker.

Action Requested - SET THE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2025 AT 1:00 PM.

Motion: Supervisor Durfee
Second: Supervisor Connelly

Motion passed unanimously.

4.6 Agreements with Youth For Change (YFC) and Victor Community Support Services (VCSS) for Youth Mental Health Services

On May 5, 2023, the Department of Behavioral Health released an RFP for Youth Mental Health Services and received five responses from local mental health providers: YFC, VCSS, Counseling Solutions, North Valley Catholic Social Service, Inc. and EA Family Services. The Department selected the three most responsive respondents: YFC, VCSS and NVCSS. The agreement with NVCSS will be considered at a future Board meeting.

YFC and VCSS provide specialty youth mental health services that meet the State mandate for medi-cal eligible children. Services include assessment, treatment plan development, rehabilitation, therapy, targeted case management, crisis intervention, and peer support.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve agreements with YFC and VCSS. The term of each agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. The agreement for YFC is not-to-exceed \$3,945,798 and the agreement for VCSS is not-to-exceed \$3,039,394 (total amount of \$6,985,192). The agreements are not measured in terms of the number of clients as services and duration of services vary based on the individual needs of each client. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENTS (2) AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

Scott Kennelly, Director of Behavioral Health, presented this item to the Board.

No public comment was received for this item.

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENTS (2) AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

Motion: Supervisor Ritter
Second: Supervisor Durfee

Motion passed unanimously.

4.7 Butte County Groundwater Status Report for the 2024 Water Year

Pursuant to Chapter 33 of the Butte County Code, the Department of Water and Resource Conservation is required to collect data on groundwater levels and report to the Board of Supervisors each year on the status of groundwater conditions. The Department prepared the Butte County Groundwater Status Report (Report) for the 2024 water year, which contains an overview of the hydrologic conditions, a high-level description of conditions within each subbasin based on content in each subbasin's individual annual reports, conditions to track over the next year, and current efforts to improve groundwater resiliency throughout the County.

The Butte County Groundwater Status Report also includes Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) subbasin reports that SGMA requires to be submitted annually to DWR. The subbasin-specific reports were reviewed by the Technical Advisory Committee of the Water Commission on February 27, 2025.

This is the fourth Butte County Groundwater Status Report since the adoption of the Groundwater Sustainability Plans in the three subbasins in the County (Butte, Vina, and Wyandotte Creek). This Report meets the reporting requirements of Chapter 33. The complete Butte County Groundwater Status Report and the appendices are available online at: <https://www.buttecounty.net/1212/Groundwater-Status-Report>. (DEPARTMENT OF WATER & RESOURCE CONSERVATION)

Action Requested - ACCEPT FOR INFORMATION.

Kamie Loeser, Director of Water & Resource Conservation and Kelly Peterson, Water Resources Scientist, presented this item to the Board.

The following members of the public submitted Public Comment: John Stonebraker

Action Requested - ACCEPT FOR INFORMATION.

Accepted for information.

4.8 Introduction of an Ordinance Adding Chapter 57 "Declared Local Emergency Recovery" to the Butte County Code

Butte County has experienced multiple destructive wildfires, resulting in local and public health emergencies. Wildfires that reach a high level of destruction can quickly outpace County resources. These wildfires leave a trail of devastation, resulting in an immediate need for interim housing and creating a significant amount of debris and hazardous waste that threatens public health, the environment, and water quality. The County uses urgency ordinances to address these wildfire emergencies. On April 22, 2025, the Board of Supervisors directed the Department of Development Services to develop an ordinance to address declared local and public health emergencies due to wildfire.

The Department has developed an ordinance that establishes standards, requirements, and regulations that remain dormant until: 1) the Board declares, or ratifies, a local emergency; 2) the Board ratifies a public health emergency due to wildfire; and 3) the

Governor declares a State of Emergency in Butte County due to wildfire. Once operative, the ordinance provides several provisions, including: (i) temporarily relaxing some building and zoning regulations to allow for transitory and temporary housing both outside and inside the impacted wildfire area for displaced residents; (ii) prohibiting the removal of structural debris and hazardous trees prior to hazardous waste assessment and removal; (iii) requiring the removal of structural debris and hazard trees through a Government-sponsored program, once approved, or a County alternative program; (iv) authorizing the Board to set deadlines for participation in a debris removal program; (v) authorizing the County to take legal action to abate properties in violation of the ordinance; (vi) permitting temporary log storage yards and allows the processing of logs and vegetation for biochar production with applicable permits; and (vii) addressing standards to allow displaced residents to return to their properties within the boundaries of the impacted fire areas. (DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)

Action Requested - INTRODUCE ORDINANCE AND WAIVE THE FIRST READING.

Paula Daneluk, Director of Development Services, presented this item to the Board.

The following members of the public submitted Public Comment: John Stonebraker

Action Requested - INTRODUCE ORDINANCE AND WAIVE THE FIRST READING.

Motion: Supervisor Connelly

Second: Supervisor Durfee

Motion passed unanimously with minor corrections to the ordinance.

4.9 Update of Budget, Legislative, and other Current Issues by the Chief Administrative Officer

4.10 Board of Supervisors Public Comment (Continuation as needed)

4.11 Items Removed from the Consent Agenda for Board Consideration and Action

5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND TIMED ITEMS**

5.1 10:00 am - Public Hearing - Table Mountain II Project Funded by the CDBG Disaster Recovery Multi-Family Housing Program

Butte County has been allocated a total of \$118,186,909 in CDBG Disaster Recovery Multi-Family Housing Program (MHP) funding from the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) as a result of the 2018 Camp Fire. Through a competitive RFP, Butte County awarded the Table Mountain Phase II project \$4,500,000 in MHP funds. The project was completed in the City of Oroville and received its Certificate of Occupancy on December 23, 2024. All project milestones required by the Master Standard Agreement, Notice to Proceed, and corresponding amendments have been met or exceeded; however, due to a change in guidance from HCD the close-out public hearing and resolution must be postponed. Staff recommend the Board of Supervisors open and close the public hearing without action. At a later date, staff will re-notice the public hearing

and request authorization of a close-out resolution when all costs have been reimbursed. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - STAFF RECOMMENDS THE BOARD OPEN AND CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING WITHOUT ACTION.

Shelly Ohlms, Program Development Manager, presented this item to the Board.

No public comment was received for this item.

Action Requested - STAFF RECOMMENDS THE BOARD OPEN AND CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING WITHOUT ACTION.

Opened and Closed Public Hearing and no action was taken. Staff will bring item back at a future meeting.

5.2 10:15 am - Public Meeting - Intent to Modify the Butte County Tourism Business Improvement District (TBID) Management District Plan

At the request of Explore Butte County, the TBID owner's association, the Board of Supervisors approved a resolution of intent to modify the Butte County TBID Management District Plan on May 13, 2025. The three proposed changes include: 1) remove the room count threshold to include all lodging businesses and short-term rentals located within the District; 2) increase the assessment to 2.5% on September 1, 2025, and to 3% on January 1, 2027; and 3) modify the term to end on December 31, 2029. On May 19, 2025, a public notice was mailed to all businesses proposed to be assessed, beginning a mandatory 45-day period in which assessed business owners may protest the modifications. Today's public meeting allows the Board to take public comment on the proposed changes during the protest period. No further action is requested. At the end of the protest period, if protests are received from owners paying 50% or more of the assessments, no further proceedings to modify the District Plan shall be taken. If a majority protest is not received, the Board may adopt the proposed modifications at a future meeting. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - OPEN PUBLIC MEETING AND ALLOW FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

Ashley Baer, Explore Butte County, presented this item to the Board.

The following members of the public submitted Public Comment: Susan Baldwin (electronically), Elizabeth Johnson, Jim Mathys, and Aaron Wright.

Action Requested - OPEN PUBLIC MEETING AND ALLOW FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

Received Public Comment and no action was taken.

6. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CLOSED SESSION

6.1 Public Employee Employment, Appointment, Recruitment, Performance Evaluations, Including Goals, Discipline/Dismissal/Release, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

- A. Agricultural Commissioner
- B. Behavioral Health Director
- C. Chief Administrative Officer
- D. Chief Probation Officer
- E. Child Support Services Director
- F. County Counsel
- G. Development Services Director
- H. Employment and Social Services Director
- I. General Services Director
- J. Human Resources Director
- K. Information Systems Director
- L. Library Director
- M. Public Health Director
- N. Public Works Director
- O. Water & Resource Conservation Director

6.2 Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency

Designated

Representatives: Jack Hughes, Sheri Waters, Aaron Quin and Andy Pickett

Employee

Organizations: Teamsters - General Unit; Teamsters - Social Services Workers Unit; Teamsters - Mid Management Unit; Butte County Probation Peace Officers Association; Butte County Probation Peace Officers Association - Management Unit; Butte County Professional Employees' Association; Butte County Deputy Sheriff's Association - General Unit; Butte County Deputy Sheriff's Association - Management/Supervisory Unit; Butte County Correctional Officers Association - General Unit; Butte County Correctional Officers Association - Supervisory Unit; Skilled Trades Unit; Butte County Deputy District Attorneys Association - Attorney Unit; Confidential Employee Unit; Non-Represented Employee Unit; Board of Supervisors Executive Assistants

6.3 Actual Litigation Pursuant to Gov. Code sec. 54956.9(d)(1) - Two Cases

a. Floyd E. Jones et al v. Hal Brooks et al (Consent Decree), Butte County Superior Court Case No: 84429

b. Holman v. County of Butte et al, Butte County Superior Court Case No: 20cv00578 (COUNTY COUNSEL)

6.4 Closed Session Public Comment

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned. The Butte County Board of Supervisors will reconvene at the next regular meeting, scheduled for June 10, 2025.

ATTEST:

Andy Pickett, Chief Administrative Officer and
Clerk of the Board

Deputy
Assistant Clerk of the Board

Tod Kimmelshue, Chair
Butte County Board of Supervisors