



BUTTE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA SEPTEMBER 10, 2024 9:00 AM

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

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BRAD STEPHENS,
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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. Individuals who address the Board shall 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

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.

3.1. Auditor-Controller's Office

3.1.a Resolution Setting Tax Rates in the County of Butte for Fiscal Year 2024-25

In accordance with Government Code section 29100, the Board of Supervisors is required to adopt by resolution the rates of taxes on the secured property tax roll on or before October 3 of each year. State law requires that the tax rate not exceed the 1% limit specified in the Constitution except for the voter-approved indebtedness. For voter-

approved indebtedness, the Board is also required to adopt the rates necessary to support the annual debt requirement within each specific school district. The Board has previously approved each bond upon issuance via resolution and has directed the Auditor-Controller to maintain on its tax roll, taxes sufficient to fulfill the requirement of the debt service schedules for those bonds. (AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN

3.2. Clerk-Recorder's Office

3.2.a Appointment of Nominees in Lieu of Election for Various Special Districts

Appointment of nominees in lieu of election takes place when the candidate running for an open seat is running unopposed. At the end of the candidate filing period for the November 5, 2024 General Election there were twenty-three candidates from various special districts that are running unopposed as listed on the Certificate of Facts. California Elections Code section 10515 (a), provides that the Board of Supervisors appoint the nominees who file a declaration of candidacy, rather than requiring an election if the number of persons who have filed a declaration of candidacy for director at large does not exceed the number of offices of director at large to be filled at that election. Nominees who are appointed will take office at noon on December 6, 2024, and serve exactly as if elected. After the appointment is made, the County Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters will issue the Certificate of Appointment in Lieu of Election and Oath of Office to each appointee. (CLERK-RECORDER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - APPOINT NOMINEES LISTED ON CERTIFICATE OF FACTS

3.3. County Administration

3.3.a Approval of Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes

Submitted for approval are the August 27, 2024 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE THE AUGUST 27, 2024 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES.

3.3.b Agreement with Veoci for Disaster Management and Response Software

Since 2017, the County has had 15 major Emergency Operation Center (EOC) activations. The County currently has 11 open disasters with Cal OES and/or FEMA, totaling over \$22 million in requested cost reimbursement. Disaster cost reimbursement requires record-keeping that includes individual time keeping and activity tracking, vehicle usage, purchase requisitions, payroll records, emergency contract solicitations, invoices and receipts. These records are currently maintained in paper format which makes document control and retrieval difficult and time-consuming. To improve these functions within the County, and to bring the EOC in line with current technology, Butte County Administration solicited an Emergency Operations Center/Disaster Management and Response software solution that can be used for record-keeping and enables countywide communication and coordination during incidents. Three responses were received: Futurity IT, San Francisco, CA; Juvare, Atlanta, GA; and Veoci, New Haven, CT. After review from representatives from County Administration, General Services, the Sheriff's Office and the Town of Paradise, Veoci was determined to be the most qualified respondent. Veoci

software will be used throughout the County operating area, including the cities and town, and provides a platform to communicate, store documentation and work.

The cost for Year 1 is \$64,004, which includes one-time implementation fees totaling \$30,300 and an annual subscription of \$33,704. The subscription for Years 2 and 3 is \$35,389 and \$37,159 respectively. The agreement will be funded with a combination of grant funds and reimbursement from the Cities of Biggs, Chico, Gridley, Oroville and the Town of Paradise who will each have their own portal in the system. The Department recommends the Board to approve the agreement not-to-exceed \$136,552 with a term from September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2027. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

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

3.3.c Public Defender Contract

The County is required by State and federal law to provide an attorney for persons charged with a crime or in other special circumstances if they cannot afford an attorney. Butte County contracts for this service with a consortium of local attorneys who provide full service public defender work. The consortium has been an effective component of the criminal justice system, and has the support of the Superior Court Bench, District Attorney, Chief Probation Officer, and Sheriff. The consortium has also been a cost-effective model for the county, providing a high level of service for substantially less than similar counties pay.

The County contracts with 18 full-time attorneys, one half-time, and one part-time attorney in the consortium. The County contract with Camille Pendery, who served as a part-time attorney, ended August 30, 2024. The consortium selected Tracy Davis to serve as a part-time attorney in the role previously held by Ms. Pendery. County Administration recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with Tracy Davis for public defender services starting September 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027; not-to-exceed \$248,184, which is \$7,073 per month. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN

3.3.d Letter to California Department of Insurance Regarding Catastrophe Modeling and Ratemaking

Insurance Commissioner Lara has requested public comments on proposed changes to the California Code of Regulation to include catastrophe modeling and ratemaking with the intent of increasing the availability of homeowner's insurance in California. The proposed changes do not address a number of concerns the County has advocated for, including transparent risk modeling, a clear consumer process to empower residents to mitigate fire risk and reduce insurance costs, and lack of action to reduce insurance costs. The public comment period for the proposed regulatory changes ends on September 17, 2024. Staff recommend approval of a letter addressing these continued concerns. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE LETTER AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN

3.3.e Ratify Veto Request for AB 1168 (Bennett): Emergency Medical Services (EMS): Prehospital EMS

On September 4, 2024 the CAO signed a letter to Governor Newsom requesting he veto AB 1168. AB 1168, which is also opposed by the California State Association of Counties, Rural County Representatives of California and the Sierra-Sacramento Valley Emergency Medical Services Agency, would overturn litigation and upend the Emergency Medical Services Act (EMS Act). Counties are required by the EMSA to create local EMS systems that provide timely, safe and equitable EMS services for all residents. AB 1168 seeks to overturn unsuccessful litigation by the City of Oxnard and with it years of case law and agreements between cities and counties regarding the provision of EMS. This measure would create a system where there will be haves and have nots - well resourced cities or districts will be able to provide robust services whereas disadvantaged communities and rural areas with a less robust tax base will have a patchwork of providers - the very problem the EMS Act was passed over 40 years ago to resolve. Staff request ratification of the request for veto. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - RATIFY LETTER REQUESTING VETO OF AB1168

3.4. Department of Agriculture

3.4.a Agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) for Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter Program

The County and the CDFA have participated in a long-standing agreement where the County provides a program that includes surveys, trapping, inspections and control of the Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter. The State reimburses the County monthly for its expenditures. The program is designed to prevent introduction and maintain control of the Glassy-Winged Sharpshooters that have the potential to spread disease to agricultural crops and adversely affect the economy of the County and California. The Department recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement to continue the program. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025, not-to-exceed \$57,544. (DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN

3.5. Department of Behavioral Health

3.5.a Budget Adjustment and Capital Authority for Purchase of Vehicles (15) with Crisis Care Mobile Units (CCMU) Grant

The Department of Behavioral Health received a CCMU grant from the Department of Health Care Services. The grant allows the Department to expand operations for crisis programs. The grant funding is dispersed as reimbursement for eligible costs. The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the purchase of 15 vehicles for the expansion of crisis programs (10 SUV's and 5 mid-size sedans) and approve a budget adjustment to increase appropriations in the amount of \$676,250. The Department will be fully reimbursed for the costs of the vehicles. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT (4/5TH VOTE REQUIRED); AND 2) APPROVE CAPITAL ASSET PURCHASE (15)

3.6. Department of Employment & Social Services

3.6.a Memorandum of Understanding with First 5 Butte County Children and Families Commission to Fund Healthy Families America™ (HFA) Home Visiting Services

The HFA home visiting model is a nationally recognized, evidence-based program designed to support parents and promote healthy child development from prenatal stages through early childhood. HFA aims to reduce adverse childhood experiences by focusing on prevention of child abuse and neglect, promoting child health and development, and improving family self-sufficiency. With this agreement, the Department of Employment and Social Services will refer children ages 3 months to 2 years and participate in service coordination with First 5 for families eligible for HFA. This collaboration will allow for an increase in the program's capacity to serve an additional 43 eligible children. Through a public procurement process, First 5 has selected Northern Valley Catholic Social Service to provide HFA home visiting services. The Department recommends approving the Memorandum of Understanding with First 5 to fund HFA home visiting services. The term of the MOU is September 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, not-to-exceed \$217,300. (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN

3.7. Department of General Services

3.7.a Contract with Bureau Veritas Technical Assessments, LLC (BV) for a Countywide Facility Condition Assessment (FCA) and a Facility Condition Index (FCI)

For decades, the County's facility maintenance needs have outpaced available funding, resulting in deferral of substantial maintenance needs and life cycle replacement programs, and the application of stop-gap strategies rather than full scope of repairs. Ultimately, these short-term strategies have created increased long-term costs for vacant and aging facilities. On October 10, 2023, the Board of Supervisors approved funding through the PG&E Settlement funds for the County to assess the conditions for approximately 87 County buildings, structures, and sites, totaling approximately 865,000 square feet. The FCA and FCI will assist in setting priorities for long-term investments, outlining systemic deficiencies, remaining useful life, priorities for repair and capital replacement, and total facility replacement costs. The Department of General Services issued a Request For Proposals for the completion of FCA and FCI services. The Department received four proposals; AtkinsRealis USA Inc. of San Francisco, CA, ISES Corporation of Duluth, GA, Roth Integrated Asset Management Strategies of St. Petersburg, FL, and BV of Sacramento, CA. All proposals were evaluated and scored. The Department recommends entering into a contract with BV, the most responsive respondent. The term of this contract is 365 days from the date of contract execution, not-to-exceed \$355,730. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN

3.7.b Notice to Proceed (NTP) for Contract with Hankins Group, Inc. (Hankins) for the Demolition of Vacant Sheriff Substation at 479 East Park Avenue, Chico and Installation of Underground Utilities for the new Emergency Communications Tower in Chico

On January 23, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved the demolition of the vacant Sheriff's substation at 479 East Park Avenue in Chico and improvements to the Chico Communications Site. On December 12, 2023, the Board approved a Job Order Contract (JOC) with Hankins. The contract allows for individual job orders to be issued utilizing a catalog of materials and equipment. JOC policy requires Board approval for any individual job order over \$250,000. To remove the liability of the vacant building at East Park Ave, the Department of General Services recommends the Board approve the NTP with Hankins for demolition of the building, relocation of utilities to the new Chico Communications Site, and appoint the Director of General Services as officer of the project. The term of the job order is 130 days from execution of the NTP for a fixed cost of \$338,307. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE NOTICE TO PROCEED AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN; AND 2) APPOINT DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES AS OFFICER OF THE PROJECT

3.8. Department of Public Health

3.8.a Resolution to Renew Summer 2024 Butte County Fires Health Emergency

Butte County Health Officer, Dr. David Canton declared a health emergency in Butte County on July 27, 2024, due to the Park Fire that started on July 24, 2024. On August 7, 2024, the Health Officer expanded the local health emergency due to the Apache, Thompson, Grubbs, and Railbridge Fires that began on June 24, 2024, July 2, 2024, July 3, 2024, and July 11, 2024, respectively. Due to the number of structures destroyed by these fires, a large amount of debris has resulted, which contains hazardous waste in the ashes of the burned structures. The debris poses a substantial present and potential hazard to human health and the environment unless managed properly.

On August 13, 2024, the Board of Supervisors ratified the proclamation and to facilitate the Board's renewal of the local health emergency for the Park, Apache, Thompson, Grubbs, and Railbridge Fires, collectively referred to them as the "Summer 2024 Butte County Fires." Once the proclamation is ratified it must be renewed every 30 days per Health and Safety Code 101080. The Department recommends the Board renew the local health emergency for Summer 2024 Butte County Fires. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH)

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

3.9. Department of Public Works

3.9.a Contract with Chico Scrap Metal, Inc. for Metal Recycling and Appliance Processing Services at Neal Road Recycling and Waste Facility (NRRWF)

The NRRWF receives over 250 appliances that contain either freon, mercury, or compressor oil monthly. The Department of Public Works released an Invitation for Bids on June 16, 2024, to address the removal of whole appliance units from NRRWF for off-site appliance processing and metal recycling. The Invitation for Bids closed on August 6,

2024, and two bids were received. Chico Scrap Metal, Inc. of Durham, provided the lowest bid. The bid includes the removal of various chemicals and switches during the processing of appliances, which range from \$6 per water heater to \$80 per ammonia refrigerator. It includes payment to NRRWF for the metal recycled from the appliances for \$35 per ton. The Department of Public Works recommends entering into a contract with Chico Scrap Metal, Inc. for metal recycling and appliance processing services. The contract term is September 10, 2024, through September 10, 2029, not-to-exceed \$650,000. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

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

3.10. Department of Human Resources

3.10.a Resolution Honoring Butte County Employees for Dedicated Years of Service

Each year, the Board of Supervisors recognizes employees who have reached service increments of 30, 35, 40, and 45 years of continuous service to Butte County for dedicated years of service. For 2024, the County recognizes Julie Emerson, Ryan Huffman, Alejandro Iniguez, Jodi Nicholas, and Laura Proffitt for 30 years of service. (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTIONS (5) AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN

3.10.b Resolution to Amend the Salary Ordinance

CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES: Add 1 flexibly staffed Child Support Attorney position. After the recruitment, the Department will return to the Board to delete a vacant position. This change will better meet the needs of the Department. The new position will be funded with existing salary and benefit allocations. Total allocations to temporarily increase by 1.

PUBLIC WORKS: Convert 1 Fiscal Manager position to a flexibly staffed Fiscal Manager position. This change will better suit the current and future operational needs of the Department. This change will be funded within existing salary and benefit allocations of the Road Fund. Total allocations to remain unchanged. (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN

3.11. Department of Water & Resource Conservation

3.11.a Consideration of Facilitation Support Services to Support Inter-Basin Coordination Between Subbasins in the Northern Sacramento Valley

Through implementation of the SGMA, the three Butte County subbasins have utilized and benefited from the California Department of Water Resources' (DWR) Facilitation Support Services (FSS) program. The Butte Subbasin, where Butte County is one of eleven Groundwater Sustainable Agencies (GSA), continues to be supported by facilitation through the FSS program. This has provided a facilitator to coordinate between GSAs, support the development of the cost share agreement, and develop a work plan for the subbasin. In addition, staff have historically played a lead role in coordinating and encouraging information sharing between agencies and between

subbasins. As part of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program, the County Department of Water and Resource Conservation, as a subrecipient to the Vina and Wyandotte Creek GSAs, is leading the Inter-Basin Coordination Analysis and Modeling project. As the project moves forward and Groundwater Sustainable Plan implementation continues throughout the region, there is a need for coordination between subbasins and a continued role for FSS to support those efforts. The Butte Subbasin is situated centrally in the valley and connected to subbasins both along the Sacramento River and the Feather River. Butte County is well positioned to continue to utilize FSS on behalf of the Butte Subbasin and the region by applying for these services specific to inter-basin coordination through DWR. The Department recommends the Board authorize staff to apply for Facilitation Support Services. (DEPARTMENT OF WATER & RESOURCE CONSERVATION)

Action Requested - AUTHORIZE STAFF TO APPLY FOR FACILITATION SUPPORT SERVICES

4. REGULAR AGENDA

4.1 Board Member/Committee Reports and Board Member Comment

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.

4.3 Nomination of California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Board of Directors Members

Under provisions of the CSAC Constitution, members of the Board of Directors and alternates are nominated by their respective Board of Supervisors to one-year terms of office commencing the first day of the CSAC Annual Meeting, which begins November 18, 2024. Any member of the Board of Supervisors is eligible to be nominated as Director and appointments are made by the CSAC Executive Committee. Currently, Chair Kimmelshue is the Delegate Member, and Supervisor Durfee is the Alternate Member. (OTHER)

Action Requested - 1) NOMINATE ONE MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO THE CSAC BOARD OF DIRECTORS, FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR BEGINNING NOVEMBER 18, 2024; AND 2) NOMINATE ONE MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AS THE ALTERNATE TO THE CSAC BOARD OF DIRECTORS, FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR BEGINNING NOVEMBER 18, 2024

4.4 Appointments to the Butte County Wastewater Advisory Committee (Wastewater Advisory Committee)

The Wastewater Advisory Committee advises the local enforcement agency on matters pertaining to on-site wastewater systems and consists of ten members composed of 9 industry experts and a member of the public to each serve 4 year terms. There are currently 6 vacancies on the Wastewater Advisory Committee and staff has received 3 applications. Staff requests the Board of Supervisors appoint Patrice Sorenson to the Certified On-site Wastewater Operation and Maintenance Specialist position, Wesley

Gilbert to the Engineer Specializing in Environmental Consultation position, and Rick McCauley to the Wastewater Component Vendor or Proprietor position, each to serve a 4 year term ending September 9, 2028. (OTHER)

Action Requested - APPOINT PATRICE SORENSON TO THE CERTIFIED ON-SITE WASTEWATER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST POSITION, WESLEY GILBERT TO THE ENGINEER SPECIALIZING IN ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTATION POSITION, AND RICK MCCAULEY TO THE WASTEWATER COMPONENT VENDOR OR PROPRIETOR POSITION, ON THE BUTTE COUNTY WASTEWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO SERVE 4 YEAR TERMS ENDING SEPTEMBER 9, 2028

4.5 Appointment of Persons to Offices with Insufficient Nominees

Appointment of persons to offices with insufficient nominees takes place when an insufficient number of candidates file a declaration of candidacy for the open offices during the candidate filing period. At the end of the candidate filing period for the November 5, 2024 General Election, there were six Special District boards that had an insufficient number of candidates, leaving those positions vacant after the current incumbent(s) term of December 6, 2024. California Elections Code section 10515 (b), provides that the Board of Supervisors shall appoint any qualified person no later than the November 12, 2024 Board Meeting. Once the appointment is made, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors must issue the Certificate of Appointment and Oath of Office to the appointee, who must take office at noon, December 6, 2024, and serve exactly as if elected. In the event that the Board of Supervisors does not make an appointment by November 12, 2024, the District Board will fill the vacancy as provided in section 1780 of the Government Code. (CLERK-RECORDER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - APPOINT ANY QUALIFIED PERSON TO OFFICES LISTED ON CERTIFICATE OF FACTS ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 12, 2024.

4.6 Appointment of DeAnne Blankenship as Interim Public Health Director Effective November 1, 2024

Danette York, Public Health Director, announced her retirement effective October 31, 2024. The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) recommends that the Board of Supervisors appoint DeAnne Blankenship, as Interim Public Health Director, effective November 1, 2024 until the Board appoints a permanent Director. The CAO recommends setting the salary at the minimum salary (\$150,709/year) as listed in section 29, Reference A, of the Butte County Salary Ordinance. In addition, the CAO recommends providing the Appointed Department Head mileage allowance of \$620/month. Ms. Blankenship will retain all other rights and benefits of her current position in the Non Represented Unit and the right to return to her current position of Assistant Public Health Director when the interim assignment is completed. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - 1) APPOINT DEANNE BLANKENSHIP AS INTERIM PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2024; 2) SET THE SALARY FOR THE INTERIM APPOINTMENT AS THE MINIMUM ANNUAL SALARY FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR OF \$150,709; 3) PROVIDE MILEAGE ALLOWANCE AT THE RATE OF \$620/MONTH; AND 4) DOCUMENT BY MINUTE ORDER MS. BLANKENSHIP'S INTERIM APPOINTMENT; THE ANNUAL SALARY; MILEAGE ALLOWANCE; AND RETENTION OF ALL OTHER RIGHTS TO AND BENEFITS OF MS. BLANKENSHIP'S CURRENT POSITION WHEN THE INTERIM ASSIGNMENT IS COMPLETED

4.7 Employment Contract for Director of Water and Resource Conservation

Approval is requested for an employment contract with Water and Resource Conservation Director, Kamie Loeser. The term of the contract is October 11, 2024 through October 10, 2027. The proposed annual salary is \$154,695, the same as the current contract amount. The annual salary shall increase by 3% to \$159,336 beginning October 11, 2025. Effective October 11, 2024 Director Loeser will receive a one-time adjustment of 80 hours of vacation. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

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

4.8 Resolution to Approve the Acquisition of Real Property at 1875 Feather River Boulevard, Oroville

The Department of Behavioral Health currently operates six programs in several leased facilities in Oroville and has long planned to colocate the programs and expand services. This includes the following programs and locations: Adult Mental Health Services at 82 Table Mountain Boulevard, Youth Mental Health Services at 88 Table Mountain Boulevard, The Live Spot Youth Program at 2167B Montgomery Street, The Stepping Stones Perinatal Program at 2167 Montgomery Street, Crisis and AB109-Forensic at 865 Mitchell Avenue, and Medication Assisted Treatment at 2430 Bird Street. The Departments of General Services and Behavioral Health have evaluated available commercial properties in Oroville and selected 1875 Feather River Boulevard, Assessor's Parcel Number 035-240-099-000 (Property), based on the size, location, cost, and condition. Upon the conclusion of the due diligence, the Department of General Services has determined the Property will meet the needs of the County.

The Department recommends the Board adopt a resolution to approve the acquisition of 1875 Feather River Boulevard in Oroville with a purchase price of \$3,690,000 and authorize the Director of General Services to execute the documents necessary to complete the acquisition and close escrow, including executing the Certificate of Acceptance. The resolution is contingent on compliance with 2018 Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Infrastructure Program requirements, receipt of an Authority to Use Grant Funds from Housing and Community Development (HCD), and issuance of a Notice to Proceed by HCD for this project. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - 1) ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN; AND 2) AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE ACQUISITION AND CLOSE ESCROW

4.9 Feather River Watershed Working Group Post-Wildfire Watershed Recovery Coordination Lessons Learned Document

The Upper Feather River Watershed spans 2.3 million acres, providing drinking water to approximately 27 million Californians. Since 2018, over 1.3 million acres (about 57%) of its landscape burned in multiple wildfires, including the 2018 Camp Fire (153,336 acres), 2020 North Complex Fire (318,935 acres), and 2021 Dixie Fire (963,309 acres). The Feather River Watershed Working Group first convened to support the post-wildfire efforts of the Camp Fire and has continued to meet since to address post-wildfire recovery activities as they relate to impacts to the watershed and water quality. This is a multi-

disciplinary working group of local, state, and federal agencies, as well as tribal representatives and non-governmental organizations, in the impacted areas. During post-wildfire watershed recovery activities, the working group developed various processes to coordinate more effectively during recovery and restoration activities. The Post-Wildfire Watershed Recovery Coordination Lessons Learned document describes these processes, their agencies' respective roles, and provides context on lessons learned throughout multiple years of coordination. The document discusses the effects of wildfire on watersheds, particularly regarding impacts to water quality and hydrology; working group organization and participating agencies; and implementation activities including coordinated monitoring and sampling, public engagement, and meetings and field visits.

The intent of this document is to be a resource for other agencies to use as part of post-wildfire watershed recovery efforts. As a participating and contributing agency, staff is requesting the Board of Supervisors approve the Post-Wildfire Watershed Recovery Coordination Lessons Learned document and approve that the California Office of Emergency Services host the document on one of their public-facing websites. (DEPARTMENT OF WATER & RESOURCE CONSERVATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE THE POST-WILDFIRE WATERSHED RECOVERY COORDINATION LESSONS LEARNED DOCUMENT AND AUTHORIZE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES HOST THE DOCUMENT ON THEIR PUBLIC FACING WEBSITE

4.10 Approval of Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) to the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) from the Department of Behavioral Health

The DHCS and the Department of Behavioral Health entered into two non-financial IGT agreements for the transfer of public funds required by CalAIM Payment Reform. The DHCS is authorized to withhold a fixed percentage of State funding allocated to Butte County. These funds are paired with federal funds by DHCS and then reimbursed to the County for services provided. The fixed percentage withholding is currently set too low, resulting in a delay in reimbursements to the County for services provided. The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a manual transfer of \$6,938,698. The Department is in the process of adjusting the monthly withholding amounts with the DHCS to prevent the need for future manual transfers. The transfer has no negative impact on the County and allows the County to receive reimbursement for services provided. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE TRANSFER

4.11 Behavioral Health Managed Care Atypical Payments

The State requires that counties allow mental health clients residing in their county to be placed in an in-patient hospital setting outside the county when necessary for acute or crisis situations (Title 9, California Code of Regulations 1810.375, 1820.115, 1810.435(a) and 1810.430(c)). The financial responsibility for those clients who do not have Medi-Cal or other insurance provisions is that of the county where the client resides. The State requires counties to attempt to contract with those out-of-county facilities when billing amounts exceed the State-set threshold, which for fiscal year 2023-24 was \$60,000. The Department of Behavioral Health received claims from eight hospitals whose claims exceed the State threshold for out-of-county in-patient placement.

The Department attempted to contract with all eight hospitals. All eight hospitals required rates that were higher than the county-contracted amounts and/or exceeded what Medi-Cal reimbursed. Due to the Department's inability to enter into contracts with fair and equitable rates, the County currently has accrued invoices for uncontracted services for fiscal year 2023-24, for a total amount of \$809,826; Adventist Behavioral Health (\$38,272), Aurora Behavioral Health (\$69,874), Heritage Oaks Hospital (\$96,286), Sacramento Behavioral Health (\$140,875), San Jose Behavioral Health (\$53,248), Sierra Vista Hospital (\$194,981), John Muir Hospital (\$46,732), and Sutter Hospitals (\$169,558). The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve atypical payments to all eight hospitals. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE ATYPICAL PAYMENTS

4.12 Aegis Treatment Centers (Aegis) Atypical Payment

On August 8, 2023, the Board of Supervisors approved an agreement with Aegis for narcotic recovery services for the Department of Behavioral Health. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, not-to-exceed \$2,416,017 with a subsequent amendment of \$871,333 bringing the not-to-exceed amount to \$3,287,350. To receive treatment with Aegis, clients are required to participate in a comprehensive treatment program which includes a medical evaluation and screening for diseases that are overly represented in the opiate-addicted population. Clients are evaluated and provided counseling for medical, alcohol, criminal, and psychological problems. Aegis currently has the licensed capacity to serve up to 580 clients at any given time. Due to increased client services and newly mandated correlating counseling services, the contract was exceeded by \$59,802. The Department recommends the Board approve an atypical payment to Aegis for the services provided which exceed the contract maximum. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE ATYPICAL PAYMENT

4.13 Update of Budget, Legislative, and other Current Issues by the Chief Administrative Officer
(COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

4.14 Board of Supervisors Public Comment (Continuation as Needed)
(OTHER)

4.15 Items Removed from the Consent Agenda for Board Consideration and Action
(OTHER)

5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND TIMED ITEMS**

6. **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CLOSED SESSION**

6.1 Public Employee Employment, Appointment, Recruitment, Performance Evaluations, Including Goals, 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 Negotiator Pursuant to Government code Section 54957.6

Negotiators:	Jack Hughes, Sheri Waters, Aaron Quin and Andy Pickett
Employee	Teamsters - General Unit; Teamsters - Social Services Workers Unit;
Organizations:	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 Closed Session Public Comment

Butte County
Department Heads

Agricultural
Commissioner:
Louie Mendoza

Assessor*:
Alyssa Douglass

Auditor-Controller*:
Graciela Gutierrez

Behavioral Health:
Scott Kennelly

Chief Administrative
Officer:
Andy Pickett

Chief Probation Officer:
Melissa Romero

Child Support Services:
Sean Farrell

Clerk-Recorder/
Registrar of Voters*:
Keaton Denlay

County Counsel:
Brad Stephens

Development Services:
Paula Daneluk

District Attorney*:
Mike Ramsey

Employment & Social
Services:
Shelby Boston

Fire Chief:
Garrett Sjolund

General Services:
Michael Hodson

Human Resources:
Sheri Waters

Information Systems:
Paul LaValley

Library:
Misty Wright, Acting

Public Health:
Danette York

Public Works:
Joshua Pack

Sheriff-Coroner*:
Kory Honea

Treasurer-Tax Collector*:
Troy Kidd

UCCooperative
Extension Advisor:
Luis Espino

Water & Resource
Conservation:
Kamie Loeser

***Elected Official**

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3. **Regular Agenda:** This is where presentations to the Board and items that require full discussion are heard. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are discussed under this section.
4. **Public Hearing and Timed Items:** This is where items that are required by law to be heard as a public hearing are set. This is the section where appeals before the Board are usually discussed. Hearings may start after the time listed, but will never start before the time listed.
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Board of Supervisors Agenda – Commonly Used Acronyms:

AB – Assembly Bill	EIR – Environmental Impact Report
APN – Assessor’s Parcel Number	EOC – Emergency Operations Center
AQMA – Air Quality Management Act	EPA – Environmental Protection Agency
ARPA – American Rescue Plan Act	FEIR – Final Environmental Impact Report
BCAG – Butte County Association of Governments	FEMA – Federal Emergency Management Agency
BLUF – Bottom Line Up Front	FY – Fiscal Year
BOE – Board of Equalization	GP – General Plan
BCFD – Butte County Fire Department	IMP – Infrastructure Master Plan
BCGP – Butte County General Plan	JPA – Joint Powers Authority
BCOE – Butte County Office of Education	LAFCO – Local Agency Formation Commission
BCSO – Butte County Sheriff’s Office	MOU – Memorandum of Understanding
BINTF – Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force	MUP – Minor Use Permit
BRCP – Butte Regional Conservation Plan	NOC – Notice of Completion
CAL FIRE – California Department of Forestry and Fire	NOP – Notice of Preparation
Cal OES – California Office of Emergency Services	OEM – Office of Emergency Management
CalTrans – California Department of Transportation	RFP – Request for Proposals
CDBG – Community Development Block Grant	SB – Senate Bill
CEQA – California Environmental Quality Act	SBFCA – Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency
CSA – County Service Area	SGMA – Sustainable Groundwater Management Agency
DEIR – Draft Environmental Impact Report	SHARP – Self-Help Assistance and Referral Program
DID – Durham Irrigation District	TAC – Technical Advisory Committee
DOT – Department of Transportation	YTD – Year-to-date
DWR – Department of Water Resources	