



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES

APRIL 22, 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

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.

No public comment was received for this item.

Action: ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA.

Motion: Supervisor Durfee

Second: Supervisor Ritter

Motion passed unanimously.

3.1. Clerk-Recorder's Office

3.1.a Letter of Support for AB 1430 (Bennett) Related to Increasing Clerk-Recorder Fees

The Clerk-Recorder's Office is seeking support for AB 1430, authored by Assembly

Member Steve Bennett. This bill would adjust fees charged for services by the Department to account for the increased cost of providing those services. The last adjustment to these fees was made in 2010, and without the proposed legislation, maintaining operations within the current fee structure continues to be, and will increasingly become more difficult. The Department recommends approval of a letter of support. (CLERK-RECORDER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - APPROVE LETTER OF SUPPORT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.2. County Administration

3.2.a Approval of Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes

Submitted for approval are the April 8, 2025 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE THE APRIL 8, 2025 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES.

3.2.b Letter of Support for AB 964 (Hadwick)

AB 964 would update the reimbursement process for state-mandated local programs (often referred to as SB 90) allowing State overpayments identified through audits to be offset from unpaid claims. Counties have faced clawbacks based on minor or technical changes to program guidelines, even when those claims had previously passed audits without issue. Butte County is currently undergoing an audit for a mandated program that other agencies have already been required to repay in full. These retroactive adjustments create significant financial strain on top of the millions owed to counties by the State. Butte County is currently owed over \$2.8 million in SB 90 reimbursements. By enabling offsets, AB 964 reduces the need for direct payments and helps preserve local resources. Staff recommend approval of a letter of support. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE LETTER OF SUPPORT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.2.c Letter of Support for Prop 4 Biomass Investment in the North Valley

At the April 8, 2025 Board of Supervisors Meeting, Supervisor Teeter, with the concurrence of the Board, requested a letter advocating for Proposition 4 investment in biomass in the north valley. Proposition 4, passed by the voters in 2024, authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds aimed at conserving natural resources and responding to the causes and effects of climate change and provides an opportunity for much-needed biomass investment in the north valley. Agricultural biomass, traditionally disposed of through burning, creates ozone precursors, particle pollution and climate pollutants. While burning contributes to air quality issues, it is a cheaper and more convenient tool relative to chipping, shredding and mulching, which often require state incentives to offset additional costs. The biomass waste from this agricultural output can be converted into energy and useful bioproducts to minimize damage to air quality and the environment and create economic opportunities, but requires investment to scale up. Proposition 4 provides the opportunity to make that investment. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

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

3.3. Department of Behavioral Health

- 3.3.a Contracts with Adelphi Medical Staffing and Cell Staff LLC for Locum Clinician Services
Due to a shortage of clinicians in Butte County, the Department of Behavioral Health contracts with locum agencies to supply clinicians to meet the required level of mental health services available to the County. The Department released a Request for Proposal on November 1, 2024, for locum clinician services. The Department received eight responses: Adelphi Medical Staffing, LLC of Kennesaw, GA; Amergis Healthcare Staffing, Inc. of Columbia, MD; Barton Healthcare Staffing of Peabody, MA; Best Nest Management, LLC of City of Industry, CA; Cell Staff, LLC of Tampa, FL; Health Advocates Network, Inc. of West Covina, CA; California Locums PC of Alpharetta, GA; and ShareStaff, LLC of Stockton, CA. Five respondents were awarded: Health Advocates Network, Inc; Amergis Healthcare Staffing; California Locums PC; Adelphi Medical Staffing, and Cell Staff, LLC.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve contracts with Adelphi Medical Staffing and Cell Staff LLC for locum clinician services. The term of each contract is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$50,000 each (combined total of \$100,000). The three remaining awarded contracts are pending vendor signature and will be submitted for Board consideration in May. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

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

- 3.3.b Contracts with Cell Staff, LLC; Healthcare Staffing Professional, Inc.; and WorldWide Travel Staffing for Locum Nurse Services
Due to a shortage of nurses in Butte County, the Department of Behavioral Health contracts with locum agencies to supply nurses to meet the required level of mental health services available to the County. The Department released a Request for Proposal on November 1, 2024 for locum nursing services. The Department received ten responses: Adelphi Medical Staffing, LLC of Kennesaw, GA; Amergis Healthcare Staffing, Inc. of Columbia, MD; Best Nest Management, LLC of City of Industry, CA; Cell Staff, LLC of Tampa, FL; Health Advocates Network, Inc. of West Covina, CA; Healthcare Staffing Professionals, Inc. of Reseda, CA; Healthsmart Pro, Inc. of Pomona, CA; Medasource of Indianapolis, IN; ShareStaff, LLC of Stockton, CA; and WorldWide Travel Staffing of Tonawanda, NY. Four respondents were awarded, Cell Staff, LLC, Healthcare Staffing Professional, Inc., WorldWide Travel Staffing, and Amergis Healthcare Staffing, Inc.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve contracts with Cell Staff, Healthcare Staffing Professionals, Inc., and WorldWide Travel Staffing for locum nursing services. The term of each contract is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. The maximum payable amount varies per vendor based on available locum nurses and is as follows: Cell Staff, LLC, not-to-exceed \$50,000; Healthcare Staffing Professionals, Inc, not-to-exceed \$100,000; and WorldWide Travel Staffing, not-to-exceed \$50,000 (combined total of \$200,000). The fourth awarded contract is pending vendor signature and will be submitted for Board consideration in May. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACTS (3) AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.3.c Contracts with Adelphi Medical Staffing, LLC, ExMed, Inc., and Traditions Behavioral Health for Locum Outpatient Psychiatry Services

Due to a shortage of Psychiatrists in Butte County, the Department of Behavioral Health contracts with Locum Agencies to supply outpatient psychiatry services to meet the required level of mental health services available to the County. The Department released a Request for Proposal on January 17, 2025, for outpatient psychiatry services. There were seven responses: Adelphi Medical Staffing, LLC of Kennesaw, GA; Barton Healthcare Staffing of Peabody, MA; Bridge Telehealth of Irvine, CA; ExMed, Inc. of Burbank, CA; California Locums PC of Alpharetta, GA; Traditions Behavioral Health of Larkspur, CA; and Vivo Healthstaff Inc. of Dublin, CA. Four respondents were awarded: Adelphi Medical Staffing, ExMed, Inc., Traditions Behavioral Health, and California Locums PC.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve contracts with Adelphi Medical Staffing, ExMed, Inc., and Traditions Behavioral Health for locum outpatient psychiatry services. The term of each contract is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. The maximum payable amount varies per vendor based on available locum psychiatrists and is as follows: Adelphi Medical Staffing, LLC, not-to-exceed \$75,000, ExMed, Inc, not-to-exceed \$543,120, and Traditions Behavioral Health, not-to-exceed \$890,000 (combined total of \$1,508,120). The fourth awarded contract is pending vendor signature and will be submitted for Board consideration in May. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACTS (3) AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4. Department of Employment & Social Services

3.4.a Revenue Agreement with California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Round 5 (HHAP-5) Funding

The State of California through HCD, administers HHAP-5 to build on regional coordination and support local jurisdictions to reduce and end homelessness. On behalf of the County and Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care, the Department of Employment and Social Services was awarded HHAP-5 funds to address the homelessness crisis in the County. HCD awarded a total of \$3,485,389 with \$1,742,695 for FY 2025-26. This funding will be used to provide delivery of permanent housing, services coordination, and administration to reduce homelessness in the community. The Department has solicited to subcontract a majority of the funds. The Department recommends the Board approve a revenue agreement with HCD for HHAP-5 funds. The term for the revenue agreement is upon HCD approval through June 30, 2029, not-to-exceed \$3,485,389. (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE REVENUE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICES TO SIGN INCLUDING ALL

RELATED DOCUMENTS.

3.4.b Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between First 5 Butte County Children and Families Commission (First 5) and the Department of Employment and Social Services for Child Abuse Prevention Council Services

First 5 was formed in 1998 and works collaboratively with the community to serve young children and families in the County. The Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC) was established in 1975, per Welfare and Institutions Code sections 18965-18971, and is a State mandated council. CAPC's primary purpose is to coordinate the community's efforts to prevent and respond to child abuse through education, awareness, and outreach. On August 27, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved the dissolution of CAPC, permitting temporary transfer of its operations to the Department of Employment and Social Services.

First 5 is the most qualified organization to temporarily absorb CAPC responsibilities and provide CAPC services, and shall continue to support and promote healthy families, enhance child development, and increase family strengths to reduce child abuse and neglect. First 5 will establish a new CAPC in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code section 18982.2 and the 1989 proclamation of the Butte County Board of Supervisors by the end date of the recommended MOU, no later than June 30, 2026.

The Department recommends the Board approve an MOU with First 5 for the CAPC of Butte County activities and services. The term of the MOU is July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$200,000. (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SERVICES)

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

3.4.c Resolution Recognizing April 2025 as Child Abuse Prevention Month

First 5 Butte County Children and Families Commission, acting on behalf of the the Child Abuse Prevention Council, requests the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution recognizing April 2025 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Butte County. (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SERVICES)

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

3.5. Department of General Services

3.5.a Notice of Completion for Job Order Contract (JOC) with T&S Intermodal Maintenance, Inc. dba T&S West (T&S West) for the Gridley Veterans Memorial Hall Roof and HVAC Project at 249 Sycamore Street, Gridley, CA

In July 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved a JOC Notice to Proceed with T&S West in the amount of \$1,396,961 for the Gridley Veterans Memorial Hall Roof and HVAC Replacement project located at 249 Sycamore Street, Gridley. Including previously ratified change orders totaling \$108,323, the final contract amount is \$1,505,284. All contract work has been completed, inspected, and approved by the Department of Development Services, and the Department of General Services. The Department of General Services recommends the Board accept the work as complete and authorize the Chair to sign the

Notice of Completion. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - 1) ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WORK AS COMPLETE AND; 2) AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION.

3.5.b Ratification of Change Orders 6 through 11 for Oroville Veterans Memorial Park (OVMP) with Rock Creek Construction, Inc. (Rock Creek)

On July 30, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved a contract with Rock Creek to complete the remaining substantial construction of the OVMP, not to exceed \$974,411. On January 28, 2025, the Board ratified Change Orders 1 through 3 and approved Change Orders 4 and 5 for a total of \$143,545. The Department of General Services has since issued an additional six change orders totaling \$56,818. These change orders include Change Order 6 for \$1,666 to cover additional concrete removal and replacement; Change Order 7 for \$7,271 for the addition of a monument pedestal; Change Order 8 for \$4,872 to address drainage corrections; Change Order 9 for \$18,579 for grading and accessibility modifications; Change Order 10 for \$10,065 to install additional security camera poles; and Change Order 11 for \$14,365 to replace caps on the columns of the overlook structure. The total for all 11 change orders is \$200,363, bringing the total contract amount not to exceed \$1,174,774. The Department recommends that the Board ratify Change Orders 6 through 11, which were previously executed by General Services. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - RATIFY CHANGE ORDERS 6 THROUGH 11.

3.6. Department of Human Resources

3.6.a Resolution of Workers' Compensation Coverage for Volunteers

Resolution 76-136 established the rules for the administration of the merit and personnel program, which included Section 10.2 (now Section 9.4) of the Personnel Rules which states volunteers, board members, and commission members who are performing non-paid authorized services for Butte County pursuant to County and State law are covered by the County's workers' compensation insurance policy while performing such service. California Labor Code section 3363.5 allows for volunteer workers, authorized by the governing board of a public agency to perform volunteer services for the public entity and to be treated for workers' compensation purposes like employees of the public entity for the purpose of obtaining workers' compensation coverage. In order for volunteers to be entitled to workers' compensation benefits, the Labor Code requires the adoption of a resolution by the governing board. Upon review of Resolution 76-136, and communication with the County's excess workers' compensation insurer Public Risk Innovation, Solutions, and Management (PRISM), Resolution 76-136 is not thorough in scope and thus, a new comprehensive resolution on this subject is required. In addition, the resolution extends workers' compensation coverage to unpaid interns and Butte County grand jurors. (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

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

3.7. Department of Public Health

3.7.a Capital Asset Purchase and Surplus - Respirator Fit Tester

The Board of Supervisors has authority to declare capital assets surplus that are no longer serviceable or no longer needed by the County. The Department of Public Health recommends the Board declare a 2010 Respirator Fit Tester at end of life surplus to the needs of the County and provide approval for disposal via trade in for the newer model.

The Department recommends the purchase of a Respirator Fit Tester with an estimated cost of \$15,500 which includes a \$2,000 trade-in discount. The Respirator Fit Tester is utilized to ensure qualified Public Health staff wear properly fitted respirators for protection against airborne hazards. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE CAPITAL ASSET PURCHASE; 2) DECLARE CAPITAL ASSET SURPLUS TO THE NEEDS OF THE COUNTY; AND 3) APPROVE DISPOSAL OF CAPITAL ASSET.

3.7.b 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.

3.8. Department of Public Works

3.8.a Plans, Specifications, and Ratify Contract for the New Scale House Improvement Project at the Neal Road Recycling and Waste Facility (NRRWF)

On March 11, 2025, the Board of Supervisors approved a budget amendment and capital asset authority to construct a new Scale House at the NRRWF. In coordination with the Board Chair and County Administration and under the authority granted to the Director of Public Works by the Public Works Purchasing and Procurement Policy during a state of emergency, as well as Public Contract Code sections 22050 and 22035, The Department of Public Works entered into an emergency contract with Slater and Son Construction of Chico, CA for \$453,065 to expedite project delivery. This contract, executed without a formal solicitation process, is subject to Board ratification.

The New Scale House Improvement Project will enhance public safety by addressing hazardous traffic conditions along Neal Road caused by increased Park Fire debris removal activity at NRRWF. The project will reduce vehicle congestion, minimize roadside queuing, and improve overall traffic flow by doubling the number of scales and tripling the driveway length within the facility. These enhancements will help prevent accidents,

improve access for facility users, and strengthen emergency response capabilities in the area. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE THE PROJECT PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS; 2) RATIFY THE CONTRACT WITH SLATER AND SON FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW SCALE HOUSE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; AND 3) AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ORDER CHANGES OR ADDITIONS PER PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE SECTION 20142.

3.8.b Letters to the California Highway Patrol (CHP) and Commercial Trucking Companies Regarding Commercial Vehicle Length Restrictions on Keefer Road

In 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved an ordinance restricting commercial vehicles over 60 feet in length from traveling on Keefer Road between Hicks Lane and Cohasset Road. This restriction was implemented per California Vehicle Code section 35401 due to the narrow roadway conditions and rural nature of this section of Keefer Road. Since the adoption of this ordinance, oversized commercial vehicles continue to utilize this restricted portion of Keefer Road. Park Fire debris-hauling activities have further exacerbated these concerns among area residents. On March 25, 2025, the Board directed the Department of Public Works to prepare letters to the CHP and commercial trucking companies operating in the area regarding the vehicle length restrictions along Keefer Road. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

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

3.9. Sheriff-Coroner's Office

3.9.a Revenue Agreement with California Department of Parks and Recreation for the Division of Boating and Waterways (DBAW) Boating Safety and Enforcement Aid Program

The Sheriff's Office was awarded \$159,342 in grant funds from DBAW for year-round patrols of the Feather River, Sacramento River, and Lake Oroville. The Sheriff is charged with the enforcement of boating laws and regulations by means of vessel, foot, and vehicle patrol. Uniformed law enforcement personnel will provide year-round patrols on all waterways, provide education to the public on State and local boating laws, conduct vessel inspection programs for compliance with required safety equipment and vessel registration, as well as provide supervision of on-the-water boating activities.

The program funds a full-time Sheriff Sergeant position, a leased patrol vehicle, marine equipment, and supporting program services. The State requires the County to utilize annual boat tax revenue of \$128,593 prior to utilizing the grant funds. Boat tax revenue is used to partially fund a full-time Deputy Sheriff position who works in the water enforcement program. The Department recommends entering into an agreement with DBAW. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$159,342. (SHERIFF-CORONER'S OFFICE)

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

4. REGULAR AGENDA

4.1 Board Member/Committee Reports and Board Member Comment

Supervisor Connelly - Attended Veteran's Memorial meeting, Sacramento Valley EMS meeting, and Sutter Butte Flood Control Meeting.

Supervisor Durfee - Attended the private opening of the Honey Run Covered Bridge, and thanked Josh Pack, Director of Public Works, on behalf of the Honey Run Covered Bridge Association.

Supervisor Ritter - Attended North State Roots meeting, Restorative Justice Steering Committee, private opening of the Honey Run Covered Bridge, Air Quality Agenda Review, Passages Advisory Board meeting, Behavioral Health Advisory Board meeting, Stepping Stones Graduation, Continuum of Care meeting, and NAACP meeting.

Supervisor Kimmelshue - Attended Stepping Stones Graduation, spent time with Senator Adam Schiff during his visit to Butte County, and had a meeting with Butte County Liaisons from the Governor's office.

Supervisor Teeter - Gave new County Health Officer a tour of the Paradise and Magalia area, and attended a community meeting regarding the Upper Centerville Canal.

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 (in-person and electronically), Kayla Reaster, and The Cameraman.

4.3 Approval of the Butte County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)

A CWPP is a written plan describing wildfire hazards and mitigation measures for a community. The CWPP offers the opportunity for all stakeholders to play a role in reducing wildfire threats to their communities. The Butte County CWPP has been developed using the goals and objectives identified by local fire departments, Butte County Fire Safe Council, and other community stakeholders. The Butte County CWPP was initially adopted in 2006 and has been periodically updated, with the latest version approved in 2021. The 2025 update focuses on stakeholder and community collaboration, development of risk-reduction recommendations, expanded data-driven modeling, individual community assessments, property owner resources, and an updated fuel reduction project list. The recommended plan identifies strategic sites and methods for fuel reduction projects across the landscape and jurisdictional boundaries to reduce the risks associated with wildfire. (FIRE DEPARTMENT)

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

Rick Manson, Deputy Chief for Butte County Fire, presented this item to the Board.

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

Action: APPROVE THE CWPP AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

Motion: Supervisor Ritter

Second: Supervisor Connelly

Motion passed unanimously.

4.4 County Service Area (CSA) Program Update and Discussion

CSAs 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 originally 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. These challenges highlight the need to evaluate potential changes to CSA policies. On March 11, 2025, the Board directed the Department of Public Works to provide an update on the CSA program for further consideration and discussion. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Action Requested - PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF.

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

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

Action: PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF.

The Board directed Staff to return with a CSA Plan.

4.5 Plans, Specifications, and Contract with Knife River Construction for the Construction of the Ophir Road Rehabilitation Project

This Ophir Road Rehabilitation project is funded by the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program funds and will restore pavement on Ophir Road in both Butte County and the City of Oroville. The project will address damage sustained during the Camp Fire recovery efforts utilizing Full-Depth Reclamation with Cement, a process that recycles existing pavement and base materials, mixing them with

cement to create a stronger, more durable foundation before repaving. On March 12, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County and City. Under the MOU, the County will coordinate with the City and manage project delivery on the City's behalf. On February 25, 2025, the Department of Public Works advertised the project and four bids were received on March 18, 2025. The lowest responsive and responsible bidder was Knife River Construction of Chico, CA, with a bid of \$1,973,829. The Department recommends the Board approve Plans and Specifications for the project, approve a contract with Knife River and authorize the Director of Public Works to sign the contract and execute order changes. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS; 2) AWARD THE CONTRACT TO KNIFE RIVER CONSTRUCTION; AND 3) AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SIGN THE CONTRACT AND ORDER CHANGES PER PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE SECTION 20142.

Joshua Pack, Director of Public Works, and Katie Simmons, Deputy Administrative Officer, presented this item to the Board.

No public comment was received for this item.

Action: 1) APPROVE THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS; 2) AWARD THE CONTRACT TO KNIFE RIVER CONSTRUCTION; AND 3) AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SIGN THE CONTRACT AND ORDER CHANGES PER PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE SECTION 20142.

Motion: Supervisor Connelly
Second: Supervisor Durfee

Motion passed unanimously.

4.6 Budget Amendment for Abatement of Public Nuisance and Safety Hazards in the Community

The Department of Development Services has identified nine parcels that constitute a public nuisance, pose a safety hazard to the community, and require abatement. The parcels are located in Berry Creek, Magalia, Concow, Nelson, and the unincorporated area around Chico. The Department has engaged in efforts to collaborate with parcel owners for voluntary self-abatement. To date, the owners have failed to take corrective action and the Department has obtained decisions from an Administrative Hearing Officer authorizing the abatement of the public nuisance on all nine parcels. Abatement activities will mitigate existing safety hazards; prevent future risks; and ensure compliance with County Code and Health and Safety regulations. The estimated cost to abate the nine parcels is \$250,000. Once the abatement has been completed, the Department will pursue cost recovery through a special assessment and property lien process. The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a budget amendment from General Fund Contingencies in the amount of \$250,000 to cover the abatement of the nine properties. This action will reduce General Fund Appropriation for Contingencies to \$11,055,719. (DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE THE BUDGET AMENDMENT AND THE USE OF CONTINGENCY FUNDS (4/5 VOTES REQUIRED).

Paula Daneluk, Director of Department of Development Services, and Chris Jellison, Code Enforcement Division Manager, presented this item to the Board.

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

Action: APPROVE THE BUDGET AMENDMENT AND THE USE OF CONTINGENCY FUNDS (4/5 VOTES REQUIRED).

Motion: Supervisor Durfee

Second: Supervisor Ritter

Motion passed unanimously.

4.7 Agreement with Traditions Behavioral Health for Locum Psychiatric Services for Psychiatric Health Facility

Due to a shortage of Psychiatrists in Butte County, the Department of Behavioral Health contracts with locum agencies to supply Psychiatrists to meet the required level of mental health services available to the County. The Department released a Request for Proposal on November 1, 2024, for locum psychiatric services for the Psychiatric Health Facility. There were eight responses: Adelphi Medical Staffing, LLC of Kennesaw, GA; Amergis Healthcare Staffing, Inc. of Columbia, MD; Barton Healthcare Staffing of Peabody, MA; Bridge Telehealth of Irvine, CA; ExMed, Inc. of Burbank, CA; Health Advocates Network, Inc. of West Covina, CA; California Locums PC of Alpharetta, GA; and Traditions Behavioral Health of Larkspur, CA. One respondent was awarded: Traditions Behavioral Health.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with Traditions Behavioral Health for locum psychiatric services at the Psychiatric Health Facility. The term of the contract is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$1,892,007. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

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

Motion: Supervisor Durfee

Second: Supervisor Ritter

Motion passed unanimously.

4.8 Notice of Completion for Job Order Contract (JOC) with Hankins Group Inc. (Hankins) for the Security Improvements at Chico Communications Site, 479 East Park Avenue, Chico, CA

In September 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved a JOC Notice to Proceed with Hankins in the amount of \$338,307 for the Security Improvements at Chico Communications Site located at 479 East Park Avenue, Chico. Including two previously ratified change orders totaling \$33,468, the final contract amount is \$371,775. All contract work has been completed, inspected, and approved by the Department of Development Services, Department of Public Health, and the Department of General Services. The Department of General Services recommends the Board accept the work as complete and authorize the Chair to sign the Notice of Completion. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - 1) ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WORK AS COMPLETE; AND 2) AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION.

Michael Hodson, Director of General Services, presented this item to the Board.

No public comment was received for this item.

Action: 1) ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WORK AS COMPLETE; AND 2) AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION.

Motion: Supervisor Durfee

Second: Supervisor Ritter

Motion passed unanimously.

4.9 Board of Supervisors Public Comment (Continuation as needed)

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

5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND TIMED ITEMS**

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 Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Gov. Code Sec. 54956.9(d)(4) - One Case (COUNTY COUNSEL)

6.4 Workers' Compensation Liability Claim Pursuant to Gov. Code Sec. 54956.95(a) - One Claim

a. Esteban Perez; Workers' Compensation Claim, Claim Number: 2297110158 (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

6.5 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 May 13, 2025.

ATTEST:

Andy Pickett, Chief Administrative Officer and
Clerk of the Board

Tod Kimmelshue, Chair
Butte County Board of Supervisors

Deputy

Assistant Clerk of the Board