

**Board Members**

Joe Neves, District 1  
Richard Valle, District 2  
Doug Verboon, District 3 - Chairman  
Rusty Robinson, District 4 – Vice-Chairman  
Richard Fagundes, District 5



**Staff**

Kyria Martinez, County Administrative Officer  
Diane Freeman, County Counsel  
Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board

## Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Agenda

**Date:** Tuesday, January 9, 2024  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Place:** MULTI PURPOSE ROOM, Administration Building 1, Kings County Government Center  
1400 W. Lacey Boulevard, Hanford, California 93230

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- I. 9:00 AM **CALL TO ORDER**  
ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board  
INVOCATION – Pastor Arthur Fox – New Hope Orthodox Presbyterian Church  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



**II. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES**

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**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A.** Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for January 2, 2024.
- B.** Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for January 2, 2024.

**IV. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. County Counsel:**

- 1. Consider reappointing Helen Wells as a Trustee of the Hanford Cemetery District to fill a vacant term of office that expires on January 1, 2028.

**B. Administration/Board of Supervisors:**

- 1. Consider appointing one member to the Kings In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Committee.
- 2. Consider appointing one member to the Kings County Homelessness Collaborative.

**V. REGULAR CALENDAR**

**A. Administration – Kyria Martinez**

**Chemical Waste Management – Bob Henry**

- 1. Consider accepting the report from Chemical Waste Management.

**B. Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney**

- 1.
  - a. Consider authorizing the transfer of High-Speed Rail mitigation funds which are necessary to update the Kings County General Plan and Development Code;
  - b. Authorize the release of a Request for Proposal to hire a consultant for services necessary to update the Kings County General Plan and Development Code;
  - c. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

**C. Department of Finance – Erik Ureña/Megan Campbell**

- 1.
  - a. Consider approving the “Request to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Power of Sale” at a public internet auction and the “Authorization and Report of Sales,” which lists the properties;
  - b. Authorize the Assistant Finance Director to reduce the minimum bid price if no bids are received during the initial auction;
  - c. Approve the re-offer of unsold parcels at the same sale or next scheduled auction within 90 days with notification to parties of interest.
- 2.
  - a. Consider approving the “Request to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Power of Sale” at a Sealed Bid Sale and the “Authorization and Report of Sales,” which lists the properties;
  - b. Authorize the Tax Collector to reduce the minimum bid price if no bids are received;
  - c. Approve the re-offer of unsold parcels at the same sale or next scheduled auction within 90 days with parties of interest notification.



**D. Administration – Kyria Martinez/Matthew Boyett**

1.
  - a. Consider appointing a Delegate Supervisor to the Rural County Representatives of California Board of Directors;
  - b. Appoint an Alternate Supervisor to the Rural County Representatives of California Board of Directors;
  - c. Appoint a Delegate Supervisor to the Golden State Finance Authority Board of Directors;
  - d. Appoint an Alternate Supervisor to the Golden State Finance Authority Board of Directors;
  - e. Appoint a Delegate Supervisor to the Golden State Connect Authority Board of Directors;
  - f. Appoint an Alternate Supervisor to the Golden State Connect Authority Board of Directors;
  - g. Appoint a Delegate Supervisor to the Rural Counties Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors;
  - h. Appoint an Alternate Supervisor to the Rural Counties Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors.
2. Consider approving the memorandum of understanding with the City of Hanford to initiate the annexation of six county islands that are substantially surrounded within the city of Hanford.

**VI. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS**

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- ◆ Board Correspondence
- ◆ Upcoming Events
- ◆ Information on Future Agenda Items

**VII. CLOSED SESSION**

- ◆ **Personnel Matter: [Govt Code Section 54957]**  
**Public Employee Appointment: Fire Chief**
- ◆ **Personnel Matter: [Govt Code Section 54957]**  
**Public Employee Appointment: Library Director**
- ◆ **Personnel Matter: (2 Cases) [Govt Code Section 54956.95]**
- ◆ **General Liability Settlement: (1 Case) [Govt Code Section 54956.95]**
- ◆ **Litigation initiated formally. Title:**  
*El Rico GSA v. County of Kings, et al., Kings County Superior Court Case No. 23CU0202*  
**[Govt Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]**



**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**The Regular Meeting for the Board of Supervisors for Tuesday, January 16, 2024 has been canceled due to the observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday on January 15.**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the Multi Purpose Room, entrance is located across the hall from Board Chambers.

**IX. 11:00 AM CALIFORNIA PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING**

**X. 11:00 AM CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY HOUSING AGENCY REGULAR MEETING**

***FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS***

January 16	---	Regular Meeting Canceled due to Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday on January 15
January 23	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
January 30	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
February 6	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
February 13	--	Regular Meeting Canceled - Board Members participating in National Association of Counties Legislative Conference
February 20	--	Regular Meeting Canceled due to President's Day Holiday on February 19
February 27	9 :00 AM	Regular Meeting

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## Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Action Summary

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- I. 9:00 AM **CALL TO ORDER**  
ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board  
INVOCATION – Pastor Arthur Fox – New Hope Orthodox Presbyterian Church  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
ALL MEMBERS PRESENT



II. **BOARD REORGANIZATION**

**Clerk of the Board/Chairman of the Board**

A. The Office of Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is declared vacant and a call for nominations is made.

**On a motion by Supervisor Valle, seconded by Supervisor Neves, the Board elected Supervisor Verboon as Chairman for 2024 and closed the nominations. (RV, JN, RR, RF, DV-Aye)**

B. The Office of Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is declared vacant and a call for nominations is made.

**On a motion by Supervisor Neves, seconded by Supervisor Fagundes, the Board elected Supervisor Robinson as Vice-Chairman for 2024 and closed the nominations. (JN, RF, RV, RR, DV-Aye)**

III. **UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES**

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IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for December 19, 2023.

**REPORT OUT: Diane Freeman, County Counsel stated that the Board took no reportable action in closed session at their December 19, 2023 meeting.**

B. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for December 19, 2023.

**ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (RF, JN, RV, RR, DV - Aye)**

V. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. **Administration/Board of Supervisors**

1. Consider approving the 2024 Board and Committee assignments.

**ACTION: APPROVED AS AMENDED (RF, JN, RV, RR, DV - Aye)**

VI. **BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS**

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**Supervisor Neves stated that he attended the Kings Federal Credit Union meeting, attending the South Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Act meeting, attended the American Legion breakfast, announced at the West Hills College basketball game and completed 40 days and 80 Santa visits this season.**

**Supervisor Fagundes thanked Child Support Services for their family event hosted before Christmas and stated that he hopes that everyone enjoyed their Holidays.**

**Supervisor Valle thanked everyone who attended the meeting this morning.**

**Supervisor Robinson stated that he attended the Child Support Services Christmas party, attended the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District meeting, and stated that two Hanford Elementary School District/Lee Richmond School students won a contest to be part of their 2024 calendar.**



- ◆ **Board Correspondence:** **Kyria Martinez** stated that the Board received a notice from the State Water Resources Control Board regarding the Division of Drinking Water Field Operations Branches Reorganization dated December 13, 2023.
- ◆ **Upcoming Events:** **The Kings County Blood Drive** will be on Monday January 11, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on the Kings County Government Center Campus – in the old Sheriff’s Parking Lot. Walk-ins are accepted or participants may register beforehand online. The Kings County Veteran’s Support Group will meet January 9, 2023 from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. at Veteran’s Memorial Hall in Hanford.
- ◆ **Information on Future Agenda Items:** **Kyria Martinez** stated that the following items would be on a future agenda: **Administration - Appointments to the Kings In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Committee, Appointments to the Kings County Homelessness Collaborative, Rural California Rural Caucus Memberships Appointments, Kettleman Hills Waste Facility Quarterly Report, City Annexation of County Islands, Kings Community Action Organization Pass Through Agreement; County Counsel - Appointment of Trustee to the Board of the Hanford Cemetery District; Community Development - Funding for the Kings County General Plan and Development Code Update; Department of Finance - Sale of Tax-Defaulted Property at a Public Internet Auction, Sale of Tax-Defaulted Property at a Sealed Bid Sale.**

**VII.**

**CLOSED SESSION**

- ◆ **Conference with Labor Negotiator: [Govt. Code Section 54957.6]**  
**Negotiators: Kyria Martinez, Carolyn Leist, Che Johnson of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore**
  - General Unit - CLOCEA
  - Supervisor’s Unit - CLOCEA
  - Blue Collar - SEIU
  - Detention Deputy’s Association
  - Firefighter’s Association
  - Deputy Sheriff’s Association
  - Probation Officer’s Association
  - Prosecutor’s Association
  - Unrepresented Management
- ◆ **Personnel Matter: [Govt Code Section 54957]**  
**Public Employee Appointment: Fire Chief**
- ◆ **Litigation initiated formally. Title:**  
*El Rico GSA v. County of Kings, et al., Kings County Superior Court Case No. 23CU0202*  
**[Govt Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]**
- ◆ **Personnel Matter: [Govt Code Section 54957]**  
**Public Employee Appointment: Library Director**

**VIII.**

**ADJOURNMENT**



**The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Multi Purpose Room, entrance is located across the hall from Board Chambers.**

***FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS***

January 9	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
January 9	2:00 PM	Board of Equalization Regular Meeting – Board Reorganization
January 16	---	Regular Meeting Canceled due to Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday on January 15
January 23	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting

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Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

## AGENDA ITEM January 9, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** County Counsel-Diane Freeman

**SUBJECT:** APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE TO THE BOARD OF THE HANFORD  
CEMETERY DISTRICT

### **SUMMARY:**

#### **Overview:**

Under Health and Safety Code section 9024, the Board of Supervisors shall appoint trustees to public cemetery district boards. There is one current opening on the Hanford Cemetery District board.

#### **Recommendation:**

**Reappoint Helen Wells as a Trustee of the Hanford Cemetery District to fill a vacant term of office that expires on January 1, 2028.**

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

None.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Hanford Cemetery District ("District") has a five-member Board of Trustees. The Trustees each serve staggered four-year terms. There is one vacancy to be filled. Ms. Wells was previously appointed to complete a board term that ends January 1, 2024. Ms. Wells is seeking reappointment, and her application has been received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors requesting appointment to the seat. The District has requested that the Board of Supervisors appoint trustee Helen Wells to serve a four-year term which will expire on January 1, 2028.

**BOARD ACTION :**

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted  
on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.





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## AGENDA ITEM January 9, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Administration – Kyria Martinez  
Board of Supervisors Office – Catherine Venturella

**SUBJECT:** APPOINTMENTS TO THE KINGS IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### **SUMMARY:**

**Overview:**

When a vacancy occurs on any board, commission, or committee over which a legislative body has appointing power, a vacancy notice shall be posted in the office of the clerk of the local agency and the local library before an appointment can be made. The legislative body shall not make a final appointment for at least ten working days after the posting of a vacancy notice. Pursuant to Board policy, the Administrative Office makes no recommendations on advisory board appointments.

**Recommendation:**

**Appoint one member to the Kings In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Committee.**

**Fiscal Impact:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this appointment.

**Advisory Board Statement:**

The committee coordinator requests the appointment as outlined today.

### **BACKGROUND:**

There are two vacancies that exist on the Kings In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Committee. Appointments are for three years unless the position is filling an un-expired term, the term expiration of this representative expires on December 31, 2026.

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**BOARD ACTION:**

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: \_\_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_\_

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CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

## **Agenda Item**

### **APPOINTMENTS TO THE KINGS IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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Criteria for appointment: The Committee shall consist of nine (9) members as follows: Seven regular members and Two Auxiliary members.

The function of the committee is to study the delivery of personal care assistance and the various methods by which it can be delivered and make recommendations to the Board as to the mode of service delivery they believe would best meet the needs of personal care assistance consumers in Kings County.

#### **Applicants:**

Monica Jackson- Regular member/Provider representative

Att: Jason

**KINGS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT**

I hereby express an interest in being nominated for membership on the following Board: IHSS Advisory Committee

Name: Monica Jackson

Address: [Redacted] Telephone: [Redacted]

City/St/Zip: Hanford, CA 93230 Date of Birth: [Redacted]

Email: [Redacted]

Length of Residency in Kings County: 9 years

Supervisorial District: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: Home Health Aid w/ IHSS and Extra Caring Homedcare

Education: Certificate in Human Services  
40 hr Domestic Violence Certificate  
Certificate in Human Trafficking

Membership on other Boards/Commissions: N/A

Affiliations: Born to Die Jesus Motorcycle Ministry

Reason(s) for seeking appointment: Making a difference in the lives of the elderly and disabled adult community

[Redacted Signature]  
Signature of applicant

**Return completed form to:**

**Kings County Board of Supervisors  
Attn: Clerk of the Board  
1400 W. Lacey Blvd.  
Hanford, CA 93230**

**For inquiries on the application process:** (559) 852-2362





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## AGENDA ITEM January 9, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Administration – Kyria Martinez  
Board of Supervisors Office – Catherine Venturella

**SUBJECT:** APPOINTMENTS TO THE KINGS COUNTY HOMELESSNESS  
COLLABORATIVE

### **SUMMARY:**

#### **Overview:**

When a vacancy occurs on any board, commission, or committee over which a legislative body has appointing power, a vacancy notice shall be posted in the office of the clerk of the local agency and the local library before an appointment can be made. The legislative body shall not make a final appointment for at least ten working days after the posting of a vacancy notice. Pursuant to Board policy, the Administrative Office makes no recommendations on advisory board appointments.

#### **Recommendation:**

**Appoint one member to the Kings County Homelessness Collaborative.**

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this appointment.

#### **Advisory Board Statement:**

The committee coordinator requests the appointment as outlined today.

### **BACKGROUND:**

There is one vacancy that exists on the Kings County Homelessness Collaborative. Appointments are for three years unless the position is filling an un-expired term, the term expiration of this representative expires on June 30, 2025.

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**BOARD ACTION:**

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: \_\_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_\_

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By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

## **Agenda Item**

### **APPOINTMENTS TO THE KINGS COUNTY HOMELESSNESS COLLABORATIVE**

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Criteria for appointment: The Committee shall consist of sixteen (16) members and applicants must meet the criteria for which the vacancy exists.

The function of the committee is to assist the County in assessing the community's homeless population and services, including strengths and gaps in the current system (including rural and/or underserved areas) and help to develop strategies to meet unmet needs, recommend policies that improve quality of life for homeless persons, make recommendations on strategies, goals, and funding resources to address homelessness within the county, encourage support for the development and implementation of effective homeless programs and services, align current efforts and identify/prevent the creation of redundant services, develop recommendation for participating agencies relevant to existing and proposed legislation on homelessness, assist in the production of written reports for presentation to the Board of Supervisors, present an annual report to the Board of Supervisors and with concurrence of the Board of Supervisors advocate for increased action to improve the situation of homeless persons and such other duties as assigned by the Board of Supervisors.

#### **Applicants:**

Francisco Ruiz – Community Partner representative – Champions Recovery

[REDACTED]

**KINGS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT**

I hereby express an interest in being nominated for membership on the following  
Board: Kings County Homelessness Collaborative

Name: Francisco Ruiz

Address: [REDACTED] Telephone: [REDACTED]

City/St/Zip: Hanford CA 93230 Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Length of Residency in Kings County: 4 years

Supervisorial District: 5

Occupation: Executive Director of Champions Recovery

Education: Bachelor of Science in Engineering  
Management & Science from Stanford University

Membership on other Boards/Commissions: None

Affiliations: Kings County Christian Leaders Network  
Executive Director of Champions Recovery

Reason(s) for seeking appointment: Our agency serves the  
homeless in Kings County and would like to participa

Francisco Ruiz Digitally signed by Francisco Ruiz  
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Signature of applicant

Return completed form to:

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**SUBMITTED BY:** Administration – Kyria Martinez  
Chemical Waste Management – Bob Henry

**SUBJECT:** KETTLEMAN HILLS WASTE FACILITY QUARTERLY REPORT

**SUMMARY:**

**Overview:**

Quarterly report of facility activities at the Kettleman Hills Hazardous Waste Facility. The report will be given by representatives from Chemical Waste Management, the company that operates the facility.

**Recommendation:**

**Accept the report from Chemical Waste Management.**

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**BACKGROUND:**

On December 22, 2009, the Kings County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 09-073, which authorized issuing Conditional Use Permit No. 05-10 for Chemical Waste Management, Incorporated (CWM) to operate the Kettleman Hills Hazardous Waste Facility. As part of the conditions of approval as cited in condition #B-4 of Resolution No. 09-073, “That the General Manager of the CWM Kettleman Hills Facility shall give quarterly rather than monthly reports to the Board of Supervisors, in person, concerning the monitoring program and any and all other work or activity at the site, including any and all information sent to all regulatory agencies.” In accordance with these provisions, the General Manager will attend the meeting updating your Board on the previous quarter’s activities. The Board also may, from time-to-time, require special reports concerning specific items or activities about which they are concerned in addition to the regular update.

**BOARD ACTION:**

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

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## AGENDA ITEM January 9, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney

**SUBJECT:** FUNDING FOR THE KINGS COUNTY GENERAL PLAN AND DEVELOPMENT CODE UPDATE

### **SUMMARY:**

#### **Overview:**

The Community Development Agency is seeking authorization to allocate funding from the designated Fresno Bakersfield (FB) High Speed Rail mitigation fund in the amount of \$1,900,000 to fund the Kings County comprehensive General Plan and Development Code update.

#### **Recommendation:**

- a. Authorize the transfer of High-Speed Rail mitigation funds which are necessary to update the Kings County General Plan and Development Code;
- b. Authorize the release of a Request for Proposal to hire a consultant for services necessary to update the Kings County General Plan and Development Code;
- c. Adopt the Budget Change. (4/5 vote required)

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

Staff recommends that the Board of Supervisors authorize the transfer of \$1,900,000 from the High-Speed Rail Mitigation fund which sits in an outside fund to be added to the Community Development Budget unit 270000 to pay for the associated costs of the Kings County General Plan and Development Code. The total cost of the General plan is estimated to be around \$1,900,000.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The current Kings County General Plan was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on January 26, 2010. Following the approval of the General Plan, the High-Speed Rail Authority considered multiple routes for the High-Speed Rail system, of which two routes were contemplated running through Kings County. Kings County provided comments and feedback on the two possible routes during the High-Speed Rail Authorities processing of the

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By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

## **Agenda Item**

### **FUNDING FOR THE KINGS COUNTY GENERAL PLAN AND DEVELOPMENT CODE UPDATE**

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California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document, but those concerns were not addressed within the Final approved Environmental Document that the High-Speed Rail Authority adopted.

Therefore, in June of 2014, the County of Kings filed a CEQA lawsuit against the California High-Speed Rail Authority due to impacts that were not addressed within the adopted CEQA document. In August of 2019 the Kings County Board of Supervisors authorized the Chairman to execute a settlement agreement, cooperative agreement, and ownership and maintenance agreement with the High-Speed Rail Authority which included funding to be paid to the County of Kings to cover the costs associated with the relocation of Fire Station No. 4 and to update the General Plan due to impacts from the High-Speed Rail project. The High-Speed Rail project has progressed with development in Kings County, and it is now possible to review the true land use impacts of the project and update the Kings County General Plan and Development Code.

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**(A) New Appropriation**

Expenditures:						
FUND NAME	DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT NAME	FUND NO.	DEPT. NO.	ACCOUNT NO.	APPROPRIATION AMOUNT
General	CDA	Special Dept	100000	270000	92063	1,900,000
					TOTAL	1,900,000

Funding Sources:						
FUND NAME	DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT NAME	FUND NO.	DEPT. NO.	ACCOUNT NO.	APPROPRIATION AMOUNT
General	CDA	Other Revenue	100000	270000	88025	1,900,000
					TOTAL	1,900,000

**(B) Budget Transfer:**

Transfer From:						
FUND NAME	DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT NAME	FUND NO.	DEPT. NO.	ACCOUNT NO.	Amount to be Transferred Out
					TOTAL	0

Transfer To:						
FUND NAME	DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT NAME	FUND NO.	DEPT. NO.	ACCOUNT NO.	Amount to be Transferred In
					TOTAL	0

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Auditor Approval \_\_\_\_\_ Department Head Chuck Kinney

CAO Approval Matthew J. [Signature] Board Approval \_\_\_\_\_





# COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

GOVERNMENT CENTER HANFORD, CALIFORNIA 93230 (559) 852-2362  
Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

## AGENDA ITEM January 9, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Department of Finance – Erik Ureña

**SUBJECT:** SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY AT A PUBLIC INTERNET AUCTION

**SUMMARY:**

**Overview:**

In accordance with Chapter 7, Part 6, of Division 1 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, and with the approval of the Board of Supervisors, the Tax Collector has the authority to sell at public auction tax-defaulted property that is subject to the Tax Collector's power of sale. Properties become subject to the Tax Collector's power of sale if they have been declared tax defaulted for five years or longer. Tax-defaulted properties are subject to the power of sale by the Tax Collector in accordance with California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 3691 for nonpayment of delinquent taxes. In addition to mailing notices to each owner, Public Notices were published in June 2023.

**Recommendation:**

- a. Approve the "Request to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Power of Sale" at a public internet auction and the "Authorization and Report of Sales," which lists the properties;
- b. Authorize the Assistant Finance Director to reduce the minimum bid price if no bids are received during the initial auction;
- c. Approve the re-offer of unsold parcels at the same sale or next scheduled auction within 90 days with notification to parties of interest.

**Fiscal Impact:**

The minimum bid for auctioned properties is set so that the County recovers the cost of the sale, and can pay the outstanding delinquent taxes levied against the sold properties. The Tax Collector would recover an estimated \$286,600 in taxes, fees, penalties, and interest if all properties were sold at the tax sale for the minimum bids listed in the Authorization report attached.

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**BOARD ACTION:**

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted  
on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

## **Agenda Item**

### **SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY AT A PUBLIC INTERNET AUCTION**

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

A “Notice of the Power to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property” (Notice) is recorded after a property has entered default for failure to pay property taxes that were initially assessed at least five or more years ago. Although installment payment plans exist to help property owners avoid a Notice, the property owner must request to enter a plan prior to the Notice being recorded. After the Notice is recorded, the property owner can only redeem the property by paying the delinquent taxes and any outstanding costs in full. This final payment can be made any time before the close of business on the last business day prior to the date the property is to be sold at auction. Properties subject to the Tax Collector’s power of sale are listed on the “Authorization and Report of Sales” form, which is attached.

The Tax Collector intends to sell the properties at a public internet auction as allowed under Revenue and Taxation Code §3692.2 for at least the minimum bid price listed in the “Authorization and Report of Sales.” The minimum bid prices are calculated pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code Section 3698.5 to recover the cost of the sale and delinquent taxes owed on each property. If the purchase price exceeds the redemption amount plus sale costs, the parties of interest are notified of their right to claim the excess proceeds. Parties of interest include the property owners and lienholders of record, which are determined by the County’s contracted title search provider.

Where property has been offered for sale at least once, and no acceptable bids were received at the minimum bid price, Revenue and Taxation Code Section 3698.5(c) allows the Tax Collector, with Board’s approval, to re-offer the property at the next scheduled sale for a new minimum price. The new minimum price will be one that the Tax Collector deems appropriate in light of the most current assessed valuation of that property or any unique circumstance with respect to the property. The upcoming public internet auction will include one (1) parcel re-offered at a reduced minimum bid. This parcel is notated as a “RE-OFFER” on the attached “Authorization and Report of Sales” form.

The Board has the authority to either approve or disapprove the proposed sale in its entirety or delete specific parcels and approve the sale of the remaining parcels. Following approval, however, the Board may not delete, withdraw, or withhold properties from the public auction, nor rescind its approval for sale. The next public internet auction via [www.govease.com](http://www.govease.com) is tentatively scheduled to be held on March 7, 2024.

The Boards’ consideration for approval is respectfully requested.















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## AGENDA ITEM January 9, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Department of Finance – Erik Urena/Megan Campbell  
**SUBJECT:** SALE OF TAX DEFAULTED PROPERTY AT A SEALED BID SALE  
**SUMMARY:**

### **Overview:**

In accordance with Chapter 7 of Part 6 of Division 1 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code and with the approval of the Board of Supervisors, the Tax Collector has the authority to sell at public auction tax-defaulted property that is subject to the power of sale. Tax-defaulted properties are subject to the power of sale by the Tax Collector in accordance with California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 3691 for nonpayment of delinquent taxes and may be offered, in accordance with California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 3692, at a sealed bid sale.

### **Recommendation:**

- a. Approve the “Request to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Power of Sale” at a Sealed Bid Sale and the “Authorization and Report of Sales,” which lists the properties;
- b. Authorize the Tax Collector to reduce the minimum bid price if no bids are received;
- c. Approve the re-offer of unsold parcels at the same sale or next scheduled auction within 90 days with parties of interest notification.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

The minimum bid is set so that the County recovers the cost of the sale and pays outstanding delinquent taxes against the sold properties.

### **BACKGROUND:**

A “Notice of the Power to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property” (Notice) is recorded when five or more years have elapsed since the property became tax-defaulted, which is the first fiscal year that secured property taxes go  
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**BOARD ACTION :**

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

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on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

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unpaid. Installment payment plan procedures exist and must be initiated prior to the Notice being recorded. After the Notice is recorded, property can be redeemed (paying the delinquent taxes and costs in full) any time before the close of business on the last business day prior to the date of sale.

In accordance with Chapter 7, Part 6 of Division 1 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code and with the approval of the Board of Supervisors, the Tax Collector has the authority to sell tax defaulted property that is subject to the power of sale. Furthermore, in accordance with California Revenue and Taxation Code 3692, when parcels are rendered unusable by their size, location, or other conditions, the Tax Collector may offer the parcel for sale to owners of contiguous property or to a holder of record of either a predominant easement or right-of-way easement at a sealed bid sale. The properties that are subject to the Tax collector's power of sale are listed in the Authorization and Report of Sales which is included as an attachment.

The Boards' consideration for approval is respectfully requested.







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Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

## AGENDA ITEM January 9, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Administration – Kyria Martinez

**SUBJECT:** RURAL COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES OF CALIFORNIA MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS

**SUMMARY:**

**Overview:**

The Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) is dedicated to representing the collective unique interests of its membership, providing legislative and regulatory representation at the State and Federal levels, and providing responsible services for its members to enhance and protect the quality of life in rural California counties. RCRC is a thirty-nine-member county strong service organization that champions policies on behalf of California’s rural counties. Within RCRC exist affiliate organizations such as Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA), Golden State Connect Authority (GSCA), and Rural Counties Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority (ESJPA) aimed at providing advocacy and technical assistance in specific areas. On November 8, 2022, Kings County adopted a resolution to support joining RCRC. Members of the Board of Directors and alternates are elected by their respective boards of supervisors to one-year terms of office commencing the first RCRC Board meeting of 2024 on January 17, 2024. Any member of the Board of Supervisors is eligible for the directorship. Pursuant to Board policy, the Administrative Office makes no recommendations on commission and advisory board appointments.

**Recommendation:**

- a. **Appoint a Delegate Supervisor to the Rural County Representatives of California Board of Directors;**
- b. **Appoint an Alternate Supervisor to the Rural County Representatives of California Board of Directors;**
- c. **Appoint a Delegate Supervisor to the Golden State Finance Authority Board of Directors;**
- d. **Appoint an Alternate Supervisor to the Golden State Finance Authority Board of Directors;**

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BOARD ACTION :

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: \_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted  
on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk of the Board

By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

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### **RURAL COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES OF CALIFORNIA MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS**

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- e. Appoint a Delegate Supervisor to the Golden State Connect Authority Board of Directors;**
- f. Appoint an Alternate Supervisor to the Golden State Connect Authority Board of Directors;**
- g. Appoint a Delegate Supervisor to the Rural Counties Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors;**
- h. Appoint an Alternate Supervisor to the Rural Counties Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors.**

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

Membership dues in fiscal year 2023-24 for RCRC were \$12,000, and for Rural Counties Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority were \$6,000. There is no financial impact to joining GSFA and GSCA, and there is no obligation for an individual member county to provide funds to GSFA and GSCA, absent a separate future agreement to participate in one (or more) of GSFA's or GSCA's specific programs.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) is dedicated to representing the collective unique interests of its membership, providing legislative and regulatory representation at the State and Federal levels, and providing responsible services for its members to enhance and protect the quality of life in rural California counties. RCRC is a thirty-nine-member county strong service organization that champions policies on behalf of California's rural counties. On November 8 2022, Kings County adopted a resolution to support joining RCRC.

Within RCRC exist affiliate organizations such as GSFA, GSCA, and ESJPA. GSFA develops and administers programs that provide a source of financing for residential home purchases or refinances, commercial and residential energy efficiency improvement projects, multi-family housing construction and rehabilitation projects, and city and/or county infrastructure improvements. GSCA exists for the purpose of expanding broadband access and quality in rural counties. ESJPA provides regulatory advocacy and technical assistance on solid waste management, supports local public education campaigns, and administers grants for recycling and hazardous waste management programs.



**To:** Members of the RCRC Board of Directors  
RCRC Member County CAO's  
RCRC Member County Clerks of the Board

**From:** Patrick Blacklock, President & CEO

**Date:** October 16, 2023

**Re:** Designation of the 2024 RCRC Board of Directors, Delegates and Alternates - **ACTION REQUIRED**

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Annually, the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) requires confirmation of each member county's Delegate and Alternate to the RCRC Board of Directors. The first RCRC Board Meeting of 2024 and Installation of Officers will be held on January 17<sup>th</sup>.

Upon determination, please provide confirmation of your county's election/appointment, and forward the formal confirmation to RCRC as soon as possible. The confirmation can be sent via e-mail to Maggie Chui at [mchui@rcrcnet.org](mailto:mchui@rcrcnet.org), or mailed to:

Rural County Representatives of California  
1215 K Street, Suite 1650  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Attn: Maggie Chui

RCRC requires that both the Delegate and Alternate designations be Supervisors. Furthermore, all Delegates and Alternates will be required to comply with the RCRC Conflict of Interest Code upon adoption by the Board, and file a Form 700.

Please do not hesitate to contact Maggie Chui, Director of Board Operations, at [mchui@rcrcnet.org](mailto:mchui@rcrcnet.org) if you have any questions or require additional information. Thank you for your assistance with this information.

**Attachment**

- RCRC Designation Form



**Designation of 2024 Delegate and Alternate Supervisors for the  
Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) Board of Directors**

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Delegate:

➤ Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate:

➤ Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION**

Name, Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note that all Delegates and Alternates will be required to comply with the RCRC's Conflict of Interest Code upon adoption by the Board, and file a Form 700.*



Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA)  
1215 K Street, Suite 1650 · Sacramento, California 95814  
Phone: (855) 740-8422 · Fax: (916) 444-3219 · [www.gsfa-home.org](http://www.gsfa-home.org)

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**To:** Members of the GSFA Board of Directors  
GSFA Member County CAO's  
GSFA Member County Clerks of the Board

**From:** Patrick Blacklock, Executive Director

**Date:** October 16, 2023

**Re:** Designation of the 2024 GSFA Board of Directors, Delegates and Alternates - **ACTION REQUIRED**

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Annually, the Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA) requires confirmation of each member county's Delegate and Alternate to the GSFA Board of Directors. The first GSFA Board Meeting of 2024 will be held on January 17<sup>th</sup>.

Upon determination, please provide confirmation of your county's election/appointment, and forward the formal confirmation to GSFA as soon as possible. The confirmation can be sent via e-mail to Maggie Chui at [mchui@rcrcnet.org](mailto:mchui@rcrcnet.org) or mailed to:

Golden State Finance Authority  
1215 K Street, Suite 1650  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Attn: Maggie Chui

GSFA requires that both the Delegate and Alternate designations be Supervisors. Additionally, because the GSFA Board of Directors meetings are held in conjunction with the RCRC Board of Directors and GSCA Board of Directors meetings, GSFA Member Counties are thus encouraged to consider appointing the **same** Delegates and Alternates for these entities.

Furthermore, all Delegates and Alternates will be required to comply with the GSFA Conflict of Interest Code and file a Form 700.

Please do not hesitate to contact Maggie Chui, RCRC Director of Board Operations, at [mchui@rcrcnet.org](mailto:mchui@rcrcnet.org) if you have any questions or require additional information. Thank you for your assistance with this information.

**Attachment**

- GSFA Designation Form



**Designation of 2024 Delegate and Alternate Supervisors for  
Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA) Board of Directors**

**County:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Delegate:**

➤ **Supervisor** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alternate:**

➤ **Supervisor** \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION**

**Name, Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note that all Delegates and Alternates will be required to comply with the GSFA's Conflict of Interest Code and file a Form 700.*



**To:** Members of the GSCA Board of Directors  
GSCA Member County CAO's  
GSCA Member County Clerks of the Board

**From:** Patrick Blacklock, Executive Director

**Date:** October 16, 2023

**Re:** Designation of the 2024 GSCA Board of Directors, Delegates and Alternates - **ACTION REQUIRED**

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The Golden State Connect Authority (GSCA) requires confirmation of each member county's Delegate and Alternate to the GSCA Board of Directors. The first GSCA Board Meeting of 2024 will be held on January 17<sup>th</sup>.

Upon determination, please provide confirmation of your county's election/appointment, and forward the formal confirmation to GSCA as soon as possible. The confirmation can be sent via e-mail to Maggie Chui at [mchui@rcrcnet.org](mailto:mchui@rcrcnet.org), or mailed to:

Rural County Representatives of California  
1215 K Street, Suite 1650  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Attn: Maggie Chui

GSCA requires that both the Delegate and Alternate designations be Supervisors. Additionally, because the GSCA Board of Directors meetings are held in conjunction with the RCRC Board of Directors and GSFA Board of Directors meetings, GSCA Member Counties are thus encouraged to consider appointing the **same** Delegates and Alternates for these entities.

Furthermore, all Delegates and Alternates will be required to comply with the GSCA Conflict of Interest Code upon adoption by the Board, and file a Form 700.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require additional information. Thank you for your assistance with this information.

**Attachment**

- GSCA Designation Form



**Designation of 2024 Delegate and Alternate Supervisors for the  
Golden State Connect Authority (GSCA) Board of Directors**

**County:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Delegate:**

➤ **Supervisor** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alternate:**

➤ **Supervisor** \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION**

**Name, Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

***Please note that all Delegates and Alternates will be required to comply with the GSCA's Conflict of Interest Code upon adoption by the Board, and file a Form 700.***



**Rural Counties**  
Environmental Services  
Joint Powers Authority

**ESJPA**

**To:** Members of the ESJPA Board of Directors  
ESJPA CAO's  
ESJPA Clerks of the Board

**From:** Patrick Blacklock, Executive Director

**Date:** October 16, 2023

**Re:** Designation of the 2024 ESJPA Delegates and Alternates -  
**ACTION REQUIRED**

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Annually, the Rural Counties' Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority (ESJPA) requires confirmation of each member county's Delegate and Alternate to the ESJPA Board of Directors. The first ESJPA Board Meeting of 2024 will be held on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

Upon determination, please provide confirmation of your county's election/appointment, and forward the formal confirmation to ESJPA as soon as possible. The confirmation can be sent via e-mail to Maggie Chui at [mchui@rcrcnet.org](mailto:mchui@rcrcnet.org), or mailed to:

Rural County Representatives of California  
1215 K Street, Suite 1650  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Attn: Maggie Chui

The ESJPA bylaws require that a Supervisor be the Delegate. **Alternates are generally a staff member in charge of solid waste/recycling programs for the county.** While there is no limit on the number of county staff who may attend the ESJPA meetings, only the officially designated Delegate or Alternate from each county will have voting rights.

Furthermore, all Delegates and Alternates will be required to comply with the ESJPA Conflict of Interest Code and file a Form 700.

Please do not hesitate to contact Maggie Chui, RCRC Director of Board Operations, at [mchui@rcrcnet.org](mailto:mchui@rcrcnet.org), or Staci Heaton, Deputy Executive Director, at [sheaton@rcrcnet.org](mailto:sheaton@rcrcnet.org) if you have any questions or require additional information. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

**Attachment**

- ESJPA Designation Form



**Rural Counties**  
Environmental Services  
Joint Powers Authority

**ESJPA**

**Designation of 2024 Delegate and Alternates for the**  
**Rural Counties' Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority (ESJPA)**  
**Board of Directors**

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Delegate:

➤ Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate:

➤ 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

➤ 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION**

Name, Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*An Alternate is generally a staff member who is in charge of solid waste /recycling programs for the member county. While there is no limit on the number of county staff who may attend the ESJPA meetings, only the officially designated Delegate or Alternate will have voting rights. Please note that all Delegates and Alternates will be required to comply with the ESJPA's Conflict of Interest Code and file a Form 700.*



# COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

GOVERNMENT CENTER HANFORD, CALIFORNIA 93230 (559) 852-2362  
Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

## AGENDA ITEM January 9, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Administration – Kyria Martinez/Matthew Boyett

**SUBJECT:** CITY ANNEXATION OF COUNTY ISLANDS

**SUMMARY:**

**Overview:**

There are six county islands that are substantially surrounded within the city of Hanford that the County must maintain and serve. This creates operational inefficiencies and also confusion with residents as to whom they contact for certain issues and situations. The City of Hanford (City) is willing to annex the six islands. As such, this memorandum of understanding (MOU) will memorialize the City’s initiation of proceeding to annex the six islands.

**Recommendation:**

**Approve the memorandum of understanding with the City of Hanford to initiate the annexation of six county islands that are substantially surrounded within the city of Hanford.**

**Fiscal Impact:**

The six county islands, comprised of about 309 parcels, have a combined property tax roll of about \$539,400 for 2023, which includes about \$4,037 in direct assessments. From the \$539,400 in billed property taxes, the County gets 1%, or \$5,394. This 1% is then divided between several agencies in the county who get a portion of the 1% (cities, cemeteries, water agencies, school districts, etc.). From this 1%, the County General Fund would get about 13.96% (\$753), the Fire Fund would get about 6.38% (\$344), and the Library Fund would get about 1.80% (\$98). If annexed, the City would receive about \$154 of General Fund’s portion and about \$70 of Fire Fund’s portion as per the Master Tax Sharing Agreement which outlines property tax transfers for annexations.

**BACKGROUND:**

Currently there six county islands that are substantially surrounded by the city of Hanford that are the County’s

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BOARD ACTION :

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: \_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted  
on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk of the Board

By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

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### **CITY ANNEXATION OF COUNTY ISLANDS**

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responsibility for service and maintenance. The services and the maintenance provided by the County to these islands are similar to the services and maintenance the City provides to the surrounding areas, creating operational inefficiencies in addition to confusion among residents as to whom they are served by. Confusion among residents also occurs for public safety matters such as law enforcement and fire, however this MOU and the annexation will not impact the Mutual Aid Agreement that the Kings County Fire Department has with the City.

In order to address these operational inefficiencies and confusion among residents, the City is willing to annex these six islands. Upon annexation, the County will allocate applicable property tax revenue to the City for the islands as per the Master Tax Sharing Agreement previously executed in the early 90s.

This MOU provides a path for the City to initiate annexation proceedings for five of the six county islands (labeled 9, 11, 12, 13, and 14 in the MOU) within 18 months of execution. The City will begin annexation proceedings for the sixth island (labeled 10 in the MOU) within 18 months when the land in this island is no longer considered Prime Agricultural Land pursuant to California Government Code 56064.

The Kings County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) approved these annexations at their August 23, 2023 meeting. On October 3, 2023, the City did the same.

This MOU has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

## **Memorandum of Understanding**

### Annexation of Six Substantially Surrounded Islands within the City of Hanford

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) by and between the County of Kings, a political subdivision of the State of California (the “County”), and the City of Hanford, a municipal corporation (the “City”), (collectively the “Parties”), provides as follows:

WHEREAS, there are six (6) unincorporated territories substantially surrounded by the City (“County Islands”), that are more particularly described in the attached **Exhibit A**, shown as Island 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14, which is incorporated herein by reference;

WHEREAS, the County must currently maintain and provide services to the County Islands;

WHEREAS, the County’s provision of services to the County Islands creates operational inefficiencies, including, but not limited to, inefficiencies where the City and the County provide the same service to different portions of the same neighborhood within each jurisdiction and crisscrossing the other’s territory as it provides said services;

WHEREAS, confusion is generated among some residents as to which jurisdiction is responsible for addressing problems and concerns, or who they should approach to obtain assistance;

WHEREAS, the City is willing to annex the County Islands to improve services and provide better responsiveness to residents about concerns within their affected neighborhoods;

WHEREAS, upon annexation of the County Islands, the County will allocate revenues to the City according to the Master Tax Sharing Agreement, as previously negotiated between the Parties;

WHEREAS, the City and the County each have unique concerns about the financial implications of the City’s annexation of the County Islands, including the transfer of tax revenues and the cost of new service to be provided by the City;

WHEREAS, the City and the County have agreed to certain terms that will provide a vehicle for addressing a portion of the new costs that will be incurred by the City as a result of the annexation of the County Islands;

WHEREAS, this MOU will provide a clear path for the City to initiate and complete annexation of the County Islands; and


WHEREAS, the City and the County desire to memorialize these terms by executing an MOU.

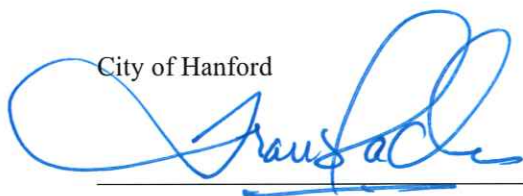
NOW THEREFORE THE PARTIES MUTUALLY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. The recitals set forth above are hereby incorporated into this MOU by reference.
2. The City will initiate the process to annex the County Islands upon execution of this MOU.
3. The City will utilize a good faith effort to complete the annexation of the County Islands labeled as No.’s 9, 11, 12, 13, and 14 within 18 months of MOU execution.
4. The City will utilize a good faith effort to complete the annexation of the County Island labeled as No. 10 within 18 months of when all of the land located within that area is no longer considered Prime Agricultural Land pursuant to Government Code 56064.


5. This MOU does not amend the agreement for automatic mutual aid for fire services executed by the City and the County, which was effective on December 22, 2015 ("Auto Aid Agreement"). The terms of the Auto Aid Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, and it is the Parties' intent that the terms of that Auto Aid Agreement shall apply to the County Islands after their annexation by the City.
6. The County and the City are the only parties to this MOU and are the only parties entitled to enforce its terms. Nothing in this MOU bestows, is intended to bestow, or shall be construed to bestow any right or benefit, whether directly, indirectly, or otherwise, to any third persons.
7. If an action at law or in equity is necessary to enforce or interpret the terms of this MOU, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees, costs and necessary disbursements in addition to any other reasonable relief to which it may be entitled.
8. Amendments to this MOU shall be effective only if they are in writing and signed by both Parties.

The undersigned representatives, by executing this MOU, covenant that they are authorized to execute this agreement on behalf of their respective public entities.


County of Kings  
*Approved as to form:*  
  
 Diane Freeman  
 County Counsel  
 Kings County Board of Supervisors

City of Hanford  
  
 Travis Paden  
 City of Hanford Mayor

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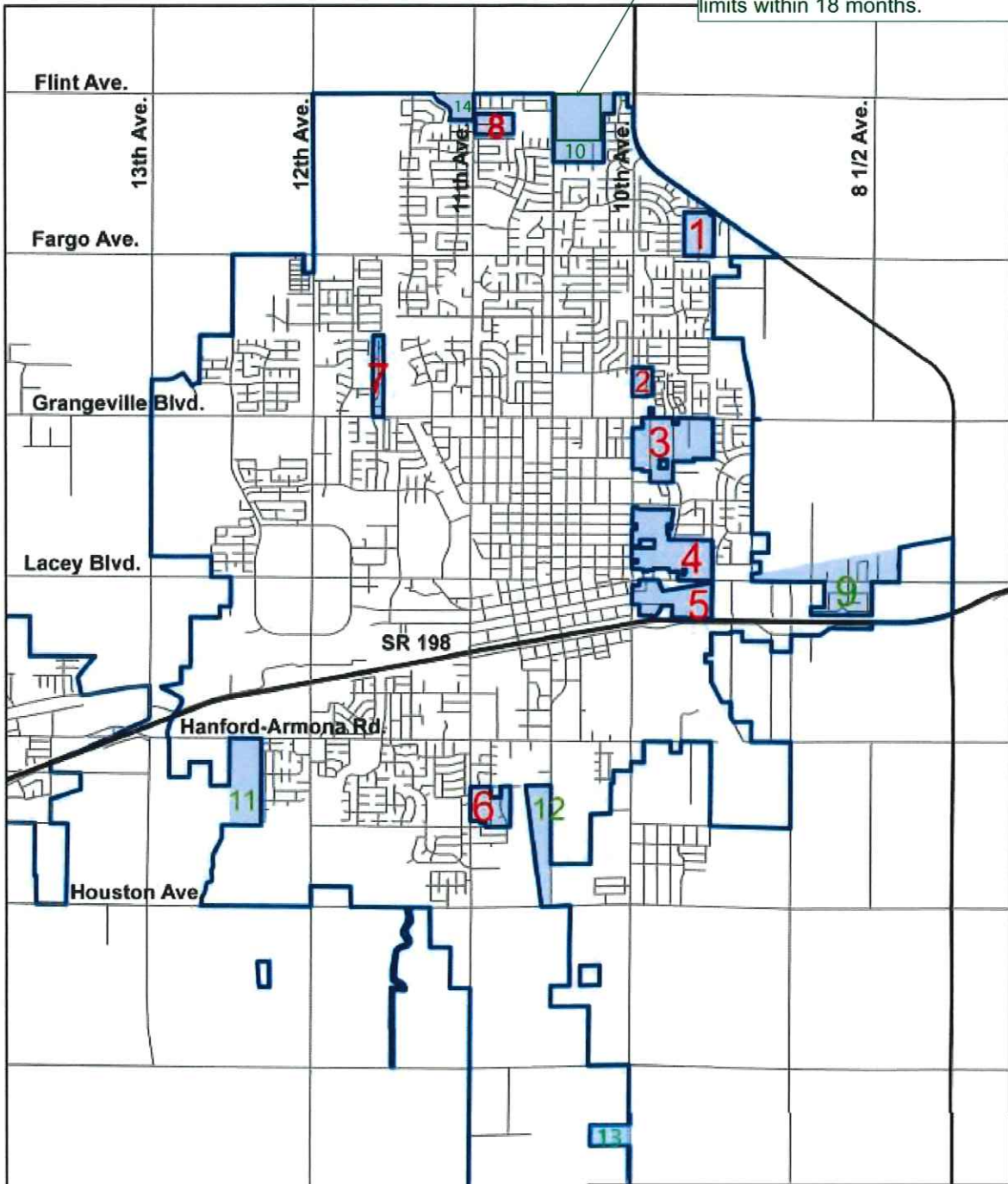
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**Exhibit A**  
**Island Map**

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Portion of the property is currently designated as Prime Agricultural Land, per LAFCo direction, following discontinuance of the Prime Agricultural Land consideration, pursuant to Gov't Code 56054, the property shall be annexed into the City limits within 18 months.





## AGENDA STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 10/3/2023

**AGENDA SECTION:** GENERAL BUSINESS

### **SUBJECT:**

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Hanford and Kings County, pertaining to the annexation of the remaining "substantially surrounded islands" within the City of Hanford.

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation: Authorize the City to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Kings County for the annexation of the remaining substantially surrounded islands.

Recommended Motion: I move to execute the MOU, as presented.

As part of the Reorganization project, underway by QK, the City has prepared a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), agreeing that the City will annex the remaining substantially surrounded islands (Island 9-14) from the Kings County jurisdiction within an 18-month period.

The MOU agrees to a timeline and transition of services upon annexation. The substantially surrounded islands are subject to streamlined proceedings, in accordance with State Law.

On August 23, 2023, Kings County LAFCo voted to direct County staff to work with the City to move forward with the execution of the proposed MOU. Following direction from the Kings County Executive Officer, Chuck Kinney, Island 14 was also included in the annexation efforts, since the property is substantially surrounded on 75% by the City limits.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Attachment 1 - LAFCo Staff Report
2. Memorandum of Understanding

# Local Agency Formation Commission OF KINGS COUNTY

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Date: August 23, 2023

To: LAFCO Commissioners

From: Chuck Kinney, Executive Officer

Subject: City/County Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

## **Background**

In 2015, Kings LAFCO conducted an island study to determine where unincorporated islands and substantially surrounded areas existed within each of the four incorporated Cities within Kings County. Resulting from that Study your Commission directed staff to begin a dialogue with the Cities to encourage annexation of said islands and substantially surrounded areas to help promote a more efficient way of providing services to those areas. In 2022 the City of Hanford annexed all but one remaining unincorporated island and that last unincorporated island is up for consideration on the August 23, 2023 LAFCO meeting.

In an effort to continue the work to clean up the Cities boundaries the City of Hanford has drafted a Memorandum of Understanding in which they desire to enter into with the County of Kings, which would establish parameters for the annexation of the five remaining unincorporated substantially surrounded areas. With these areas annexed the City of Hanford's boundaries would no longer have any areas left which fall under the island and substantially surrounded lands as defined by the Cortese Knox Hertzberg Act.

The City of Hanford has requested that your Commission review the draft Memorandum of Understanding to provide any feedback concerning the terms listed within the MOU.

## **Recommend**

The Executive Officer recommends that the LAFCO Commission review the draft Memorandum of Understanding and provide any feedback desired. Furthermore since the City is pursuing annexation of these last unincorporated areas which are surrounded by the City, in good faith of their efforts, direct staff to continue processing of all annexation applications submitted by the City in a timely manor provided that the conditions of the MOU are met.

## Memorandum of Understanding

### Annexation of Six Substantially Surrounded Islands within the City of Hanford

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) by and between the County of Kings, a political subdivision of the State of California (the “County”), and the City of Hanford, a municipal corporation (the “City”), (collectively the “Parties”), provides as follows:

WHEREAS, there are six (6) unincorporated territories substantially surrounded by the City (“County Islands”), that are more particularly described in the attached **Exhibit A**, shown as Island 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14, which is incorporated herein by reference;

WHEREAS, the County must currently maintain and provide services to the County Islands;

WHEREAS, the County’s provision of services to the County Islands creates operational inefficiencies, including, but not limited to, inefficiencies where the City and the County provide the same service to different portions of the same neighborhood within each jurisdiction and crisscrossing the other’s territory as it provides said services;

WHEREAS, confusion is generated among some residents as to which jurisdiction is responsible for addressing problems and concerns, or who they should approach to obtain assistance;

WHEREAS, the City is willing to annex the County Islands to improve services and provide better responsiveness to residents about concerns within their affected neighborhoods;

WHEREAS, upon annexation of the County Islands, the County will allocate revenues to the City according to the Master Tax Sharing Agreement, as previously negotiated between the Parties;

WHEREAS, the City and the County each have unique concerns about the financial implications of the City’s annexation of the County Islands, including the transfer of tax revenues and the cost of new service to be provided by the City;

WHEREAS, the City and the County have agreed to certain terms that will provide a vehicle for addressing a portion of the new costs that will be incurred by the City as a result of the annexation of the County Islands;

WHEREAS, this MOU will provide a clear path for the City to initiate and complete annexation of the County Islands; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County desire to memorialize these terms by executing an MOU.

NOW THEREFORE THE PARTIES MUTUALLY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. The recitals set forth above are hereby incorporated into this MOU by reference.
2. The City will initiate the process to annex the County Islands upon execution of this MOU.
3. The City will utilize a good faith effort to complete the annexation of the County Islands within 18 months of MOU execution.
4. This MOU does not amend the agreement for automatic mutual aid for fire services executed by the City and the County, which was effective on December 22, 2015 (“Auto Aid Agreement”). The terms of the Auto Aid Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, and it is the Parties’ intent

that the terms of that Auto Aid Agreement shall apply to the County Islands after their annexation by the City.

5. The County and the City are the only parties to this MOU and are the only parties entitle to enforce its terms. Nothing in this MOU bestows, is intended to bestow, or shall be construed to bestow any right or benefit, whether directly, indirectly, or otherwise, to any third persons.
6. If an action at law or in equity is necessary to enforce or interpret the terms of this MOU, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees, costs and necessary disbursements in addition to any other reasonable relief to which it may be entitled.
7. Amendments to this MOU shall be effective only if they are in writing and signed by both Parties.

The undersigned representatives, by executing this MOU, covenant that they are authorized to execute this agreement on behalf of their respective public entities.

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City of Hanford

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Kings County Board of Supervisors

Travis Paden

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