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Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting Agenda

Date: Tuesday, May 19, 2026
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: BOARD of SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS, 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 Orris Whitley – Mt. Olive 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 May 12, 2026.
- B. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for May 12, 2026.

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

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A. Human Services Agency:

- 1. Consider approving the Agreement with JUMP Technology Services for the Adult Protective Services referral and case management automated software system LEAPS, including the Home Safe Reporting Module, retroactively effective from April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2031.

B. Public Health Department:

- 1. a. Consider adopting a Resolution authorizing submission of a grant application to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery for the Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency Grant Program;
- b. Authorize the Director of Public Health to execute all necessary documents to implement the grant, effective upon award through the grant term.
- 2. Consider re-appointing Cecilio Velasco, Edward Rij, Daniel Perkins, Matthew Rowe and Nate Ferrier to continue serving on the Kings County Ambulance Commission.

C. Sheriff's Office:

- 1. Consider authorizing the Sheriff's Office to purchase a live scan machine for the Corcoran Police Department.

D. Administration:

- 1. a. Consider conducting a Public Hearing under Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code regarding the proposed issuance of tax-exempt obligations by the California Public Finance Authority;
- b. Adopt a Resolution approving the financing and the issuance of up to \$270,000,000 in qualified 501(c)(3) bonds by the California Public Finance Authority for Sonoma TCDF, LLC., for a rental senior living community.
- 2. a. Consider approving the Medi-Cal County Inmate Program Participation Agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services for the Medi-Cal County Inmate Program effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029;
- b. Approve the Medi-Cal County Inmate Program Agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029.



V.

REGULAR CALENDAR

A. Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney

1. Consider accepting the monthly report of Planning Commission's actions from their May 11, 2026 meeting.

B. Public Works Department – Michelle Speer/Mitchel Cabrera

1.
 - a. Consider approving the Plans and Specifications for the Houston Avenue at Cross Creek Bridge Replacement project;
 - b. Authorize the Public Works Department to advertise the project;
 - c. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

C. Administration – Kyria Martinez/Veronica Mello/Matthew Boyett

1. Consider adopting a Resolution establishing grand juror compensation at \$20 per day for each day of attendance, not to exceed \$350 per calendar month, plus mileage reimbursement at the applicable Internal Revenue Service.
2. Consider authorizing a hiring freeze, effective immediately. Exceptions to the freeze shall only be authorized after approval by the County Administration Office.
3.
 - a. Consider designating deposit from the California Public Finance Authority and a deposit from the California Community Housing Agency as restricted and place the funds in an interest-barring reserve account;
 - b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

VI. 10:00 AM

PUBLIC HEARING

A. Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney/Yesenia Kharufeh

1.
 - a. Conduct a Public Hearing regarding the status of the County's 2022 Community Development Block Grant;
 - b. Authorize the Community Development Agency Director to sign and submit all required documents to the Department of Housing and Community Development to close out the grant.

10:00 AM

PUBLIC HEARING

B. Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney/Noelle Tomlinson

1.
 - a. Conduct a Public Hearing to consider proposed General Plan Amendment 26-02 to adopt the 2024-2032 Housing Element;
 - b. Find that approving General Plan Amendment 26-02 is exempt from environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), and none of the circumstances in Section 15300.2 apply;
 - c. Find that General Plan Amendment 26-02 is consistent with the policies of the 2035 Kings County General Plan;
 - d. Adopt a Resolution approving General Plan Amendment 26-02.



VII. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

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- ◆ Staff Updates and/or Reports
- ◆ Board Correspondence
- ◆ Upcoming Events
- ◆ Information on Future Agenda Items

VIII. CLOSED SESSION

1. Government Code section 54957.6

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Agency designated representatives:

**Kyria Martinez
Carolyn Leist
Che Johnson - Liebert Cassidy Whitmore**

Employee Organizations:

**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**

2. Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

**Name of Case: City of Avenal v. County of Kings
Case No. 26CU0138**

3. Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

**Name of Case: City of Avenal v. County of Kings
Kings County Superior Court Case No. 26CU0106
5th DCA Case No: F091517**

4. Government Code section 54956.9

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9 of the Government Code: One Case



IX. ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting for Tuesday, May 26, 2026 is canceled due to Memorial Day Holiday on Monday, May 25, 2026.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

X. 11:00 AM IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PUBLIC AUTHORITY MEETING

XI. 1:00 PM BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

May 26	--	Regular Meeting Canceled due to Memorial Day Holiday on Monday, May 25, 2026
May 26	10:00 AM	Special Meeting Housing Authority of Kings County
June 2	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
June 3	9:00 AM	Freedom Memorial Ceremony
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I. 9:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board

INVOCATION – Pastor Tyler Jones - Koinonia Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT

II.

RECOGNITIONS

A. Human Services Agency – Wendy Osikafo/Monica Connor

1. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming the month of May 2026 as Foster Care Month in Kings County. [RESO 26-032]

PUBLIC: NONE

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

B. Behavioral Health Department – Brent Woolman/Brenda Tamayo

Public Health Department – Rose Mary Rahn/Nichole Fisher

1. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming the month of May 2026 as Mental Health Awareness Month and Maternal Mental Health Month in Kings County. [RESO 26-031]

PUBLIC: NONE

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

C. Administration – Kyria Martinez/Veronica Mello

1. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming May 18, 2026 as International Museum Day in Kings County. [RESO 26-030]

PUBLIC: NONE

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

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Rose Mary Rahn, Director of Public Health stated that she is here today to introduce Nicholas Montoya Deputy Director of Public Health along with Macario Ramirez with the Central California Blood Center who presented Kings County with the Battle of the Badges Trophy. She stated that Kings County had the highest number of pints donated during the challenge. Mr. Ramirez also presented Supervisor Neves with an award for his many years of dedicated support and blood donations. Supervisor Neves has donated over 17.5 gallons throughout his years of support.

Carl Hargett, Corcoran resident and Veteran, stated that he is here today to provide a few words on his recent honor flight trip. The Board thanked him for being here today and for his service to our country. Supervisor Richard Valle presented Mr. Hargett with 5 pillars of Freedom challenge coin and a Marine Corps ordnance writing pen.



IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for April 28, 2026.

REPORT OUT: Laurie Avedisian-Favini, County Counsel stated the Board took no reportable action from the April 28, 2026, meeting.

B. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for April 28, 2026.

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

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

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A. Agricultural Department:

1. Consider approving the Agreement with the California Crop Improvement Association for the County's assistance with the seed certification program effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. **[AGMT 26-074]**

B. Child Support Services:

1. Consider approving the Intra-County Plan of Cooperation between Kings County Child Support Services and Kings County Department of Public Works for vehicle maintenance and motor pool services effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. **[AGMT 26-075]**
2. Consider approving the Agreement with Green Court Legal Technologies, Limited Liability Company for continued cloud-based e-filing and support services via GovLink software effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. **[AGMT 26-076]**
3. Consider approving the Agreement with Parsons Consulting, Limited Liability Company for professional development training on June 9, 2026 and June 10, 2026. **[AGMT 26-077]**

C. County Counsel:

1. Consider approving the Master Services Agreement with Van Dermyden Makus Law Corporation for personnel investigation services effective May 12, 2026 through May 12, 2029. **[AGMT 26-078]**

D. Information Technology:

1.
 - a. Consider approving the revised County of Kings Computer and Technology Usage Policy;
 - b. Approve the new County of Kings Information Security Policy;
 - c. Approve the new County of Kings Artificial Intelligence Policy.
2.
 - a. Consider approving the Agreement with CDW Government for the renewal of VEEAM for Microsoft Office 365 effective May 17, 2026 to May 16, 2027;
 - b. Authorize the Purchasing Manager to sign the purchase order with CDW Government for VEEAM for Microsoft Office 365. **[AGMT 26-084]**

E. Library:

1.
 - a. Consider approving the purchase of furniture and shelving for the Hanford and Lemoore branch libraries from Cal Bennetts;
 - b. Authorize the Purchasing Manager to sign the quote and corresponding purchase order;
 - c. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**



CONSENT CALENDAR CONTINUED

F. Probation Department:

1. Consider approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the Kings County Probation Department and Kings County Job Training Office for education and employment assistance services at the Day Reporting Center effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. **[AGMT 26-080]**
2. a. Consider approving the Kings County Probation Department's Electronic Monitoring System Program for Fiscal Year 2026-2027;
b. Approve the Kings County Probation Department's Electronic Monitoring System Program rules and regulations governing the program for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

G. Public Health Department:

1. Consider authorizing the Director of Public Health to submit an application to Vitamin Angels for participation in the prenatal vitamin distribution program, effective upon execution for one year.

H. Public Works Department:

1. Consider approving the Construction Agreement with Terra West Construction Incorporated for the Highway Safety Improvements Program 5945(122) Cycle 11 Safety Improvements project. **[AGMT 26-081]**
2. a. Consider approving the Sublease Agreement for space rented by Mental Health Systems Incorporated for the provision of children's behavioral health services, retroactively effective from June 1, 2023 through May 30, 2028; **[AGMT 26-082]**
b. Approve the Settlement and Release Agreement with Mental Health Systems, Incorporated, to resolve the issue of unpaid back base rent payments, retroactively from June 15, 2023. **[AGMT 26-083]**
3. a. Consider awarding the bid from Talley Oil for asphaltic emulsion for County Road Projects;
b. Award the bid from RoadMax Products for traffic paint for County Road projects;
c. Approve the purchase of chip rock from Granite Construction for County Road projects;
d. Authorize the Purchasing Manager to sign the purchase orders.

PUBLIC: NONE

ITEM WAS PULLED FOR AMENDING TO THE FINANCIAL FIGURES IN THE AGENDA ITEM.

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

I. Administration:

1. Consider rejecting the Claim for Damages filed by Mariana Ramirez.
2. Consider adopting a Resolution establishing grand juror compensation effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, at \$20 per day for each day of attendance, not to exceed \$350 per calendar month, plus mileage reimbursement at the applicable IRS rate. **[RESO 26-033]**
3. a. Consider conducting a Public Hearing under Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code regarding the proposed issuance of tax-exempt obligations by the California Public Finance Authority;
b. Adopt a Resolution approving the financing and issuance of up to \$460,000,000 in revenue bonds, notes and bond anticipation notes by the California Public Finance Authority for Enso Verde, formerly known as Kendal at Ventura, for a residential care facility for seniors. **[RESO 26-034]**

PUBLIC: NONE

ACTION: ITEM I.2 WAS REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA. ITEM H.3 WAS PULLED FOR A SEPARATE DISCUSSION. THE CONSENT CALENDAR WAS APPROVED AS AMENDED (JN, DV, RV, RT, RR - Aye)



VI.

REGULAR CALENDAR

A. Human Services Agency – Wendy Osikafo/Christopher Narez

1. a. Consider authorizing the acceptance of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round Six Grant award;
- b. Approve the Authorized Signatories Form and Standard Agreement, effective upon execution through June 30, 2030;
- c. Designate and authorize the Human Services Agency Director as a signature authority for the funding acceptance form and reports as required by the California Department of Housing and Community Development. **[AGMT 26-079]**

PUBLIC: NONE

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

B. Public Works Department – Michelle Speer/Mitchel Cabrera

1. Consider approving the Notice of Completion for the Kings County Fire Department, Fire Station Number 5 Partial Remodel Project to provide notice to interested parties that the work has been completed.

PUBLIC: JOHN CHAMBERLIN FIRE CHIEF THANKED ALL PARTIES INVOLVED AND FOR THE SUPPORT RECEIVED TO MAKE THIS PROJECT HAPPEN. HE STATED A RIBBON CEREMONY INVITE WILL BE FORTHCOMING.

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

C. Administration – Kyria Martinez

1. Consider appointing two new members to the Kings County Library Advisory Board.

PUBLIC: NONE

ACTION: APPROVED THE APPOINTMENT OF KATHY NEVES AND KARLA OROZCO AS PRESENTED (RT, RV, JN, DV, RR - Aye)

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Supervisor Neves stated in the past couple of weeks he attended the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency meeting where they discussed 2026-2027 budget information. He also attended the Kings County Association of Governments special meeting, the American Legion breakfast, the Lemoore High School Jazz Concert, the Tachi Palace Craft Show, the Lemoore Chamber of Commerce Taco and Salsa Competition, the Lemoore College Paramedic Advisory Committee meeting, the 2026 Kings County Employee Appreciation lunch and thanked all those who helped, past and present employees. Supervisor Neves was also present for the National Day of Prayer event, the first Thursday Night Market event of the season, another American Legion breakfast, a Mother’s Day celebration, and he continues to work on getting the Stratford Portuguese Hall ready for the upcoming celebration to be held May 17th and announced softball for Lemoore High School.



Supervisor Thayer wished all mothers a Happy Mother's Day this past weekend. He stated he continued to assist a constituent with a food cart issue, he thanked Rose Mary Rahn and staff for their assistance with this matter. Supervisor Thayer also attended the Kings County Employee Appreciation lunch and thanked all those involved and helped make the event happen. He thanked Supervisor Neves for his years of service to the committee. He attended a recognition event at the Five Pillars of Freedom, the Sierra San Joaquin Jobs Initiative meeting, the Kings Tulare Agency on Aging meeting, he donated blood in Visalia and thanked Michelle Speer and staff for assisting with another constituent issue regarding the roads.

Supervisor Valle stated he has gone the past couple of weeks dealing with a personal issue with a friend in the hospital. He thanked Supervisor Verboon for stepping in and handling the Five Pillars of Freedom Recognition Ceremony, he wanted to publicly stress the importance of Colon Screening as he recently had a colonoscopy and received positive results, he will be on the Great Day Morning Show tomorrow where he will highlight all things Kings County and he asked if anyone has anything they'd like him to discuss, to please send him the information.

Supervisor Verboon stated he attended the Kings County Association of Governments meeting, the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency meeting, the Valley Voice Retreat, the Five Pillars of Freedom Recognition event for Mr. Raymond Ortiz who attended a recent honored flight, the Kings County Employee Appreciation lunch, he met with United States Representative, Zoe Lofgren in Coalinga regarding local and state issues., and has four more meetings as the Chairman of the Amtrak Board.

Supervisor Robinson stated he attended the Juvenile Justice Council meeting, a meeting with the City of Hanford and the Longfield Center, he attended Senior Day in the Park, Kings Tulare Agency on Aging meeting, the Cal ID meeting, the Kings County Employee Appreciation Lunch and thanked all the committee members for helping make this a great event. Supervisor Robinson also accompanied Supervisors Verboon and Thayer to the Five Pillars of Freedom Recognition event for Raymond Ortiz, he also met with Supervisor Verboon and United States Representative Zoe Lofgren, and he attend the Hanford Joint Union High School District State of the District Luncheon.

- ◆ Staff Updates and/or Reports: **NONE**
- ◆ Board Correspondence: **Kyria Martinez stated the Board received correspondence from the Health Department regarding a joint letter that was sent from the County and the City of Hanford to a vendor in response to her food vending permit, and the following reports from the Department of Finance Department for March 2026, the Quarterly Portfolio Compliance Report, the Treasurer's Report of Cash and Investments and the Monthly Fund Balance Report.**
- ◆ Upcoming Events: **Kyria Martinez stated the Kings County District Attorney's Office will host the Peace Officer's Memorial tomorrow Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. here at our Kings County Government Center Courtyard.**



- ◆ **Information on Future Agenda Items:** Kyria Martinez stated the following items would for the May 19, 2026 agenda. Administration – Approval of issuance of qualified bonds for rental senior living community by CalPFA, Grand Jury Stipends, and California Department of Health Care Services Medi-Cal County Inmate Program Agreements; Behavioral Health Department – Sober Graduation Program Resolution; Community Development Agency – General Plan Amendment 6th Cycle Housing Element, the 2022 CDBG Closeout of the Kettleman City Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk, and the Monthly Planning Commission Reporting; Public Health Department – Grant Application for Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency, and Appointments to the Kings County Ambulance Commission; Human Service Agency – Agreement with Jum Technology Services for Adult Protective Services Referral and Case Management System; Public Works Department – Houston Avenue at Cross Creek Bridge Replacement Project; Sheriff’s Office – Purchase of a Live Scan Machine Purchase.

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4. **Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1)**
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Name of Case: Nereida Madrigal v. County of Kings
Case No. 25CU0134



- 5. **Government Code section 54956.9**
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
 Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9 of the Government Code: One Case.
PUBLIC: NONE

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X. 11:00 AM CALIFORNIA PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING

XI. 1:00 PM MID-KINGS RIVER GROUND WATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY MEETING

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS		
May 13	10:00 AM	Kings County Peace Officer’s Memorial
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Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Human Services Agency – Wendy Osikafo/Christopher Narez

SUBJECT: AGREEMENT WITH JUMP TECHNOLOGY SERVICES FOR THE ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES REFERRAL AND CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

SUMMARY:

Overview:

The Human Services Agency (HSA) is requesting approval to enter into a new five-year agreement with JUMP Technology Services for licensed software subscription to the LEAPS system. LEAPS is an automated system utilized by the Adult Protective Services (APS) unit to manage all aspects of mandated abuse referral intakes, investigations and case management activities to stabilize or mitigate protective concerns for vulnerable dependent adults and elders in the community experiencing abuse or neglect. The Home Safe Reporting Module of the LEAPS system provides a database to manage housing stabilization services and supports elderly and dependent adults who are likely eligible for APS and who are at risk for or are experiencing homelessness. Additionally, the Home Safe Reporting Module provides data collection and the automation of state required data reporting for the APS and Home Safe programs. The Department has been using LEAPS since 2015. On April 1, 2021, the Board approved the LEAPS Agreement 21-027 effective April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2026.

Recommendation:

Approve the Agreement with JUMP Technology Services for the Adult Protective Services referral and case management automated software system LEAPS, including the Home Safe Reporting Module, retroactively effective from April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2031.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no impact to the County General Fund. The proposed budget for this five-year agreement is \$67,106. This agreement is paid annually. Costs associated with this agreement are paid from any remaining funds from the APS allocation first, then a combination of federal 1991 realignment funds cover the balance.

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BOARD ACTION:

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: _____ OTHER: _____

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted
on _____, 2026.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By _____, Deputy.

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Funds from the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Home Safe allocation of \$275,000 will cover \$4,500 for the Home Safe Reporting Module for the initial three years of the contract. Receiving additional Home Safe allocation funds are not guaranteed by the State; however, if the Home Safe Program is not funded, the need for the Home Safe module will not be necessary. The annual license subscription for LEAPS is \$10,531 for 25 users, and the total amount for a five-year subscription is \$52,656. The annual LEAPS user training is \$1,000, and the total amount for a five-year subscription is \$5,000. An additional \$4,950 is included for 55 hours of County requested software modifications and enhancements dedicated revenue for this agreement is included in HSA's FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget and FY 2026-27 Requested Budget.

BACKGROUND:

JUMP Technology Services LEAPS licensed software is a web-based multi-user system that allows Social Services Workers to document and update investigation details and case management activities in real-time when conducting home visits, improving required documentation timelines and compliance, while maintaining high service delivery to vulnerable dependent adults and elders in the community experiencing abuse or neglect. The Home Safe Reporting Module is dependent on LEAPS and integrates data from the LEAPS system while maintaining the confidentiality of the APS investigation. The Home Safe Reporting Module allows APS staff to provide extended case management services to likely APS eligible individuals who are at risk for or experiencing homelessness. Important Home Safe details are pulled from the LEAPS system into the Home Safe Reporting Module that are necessary for continued case management and supportive services necessary to improve, stabilize and maintain housing outcomes. The Home Safe Reporting Module allows case workers to document contacts, stabilization efforts, housing interventions and supportive services. The Home Safe Reporting Module then assists with the import of these details into California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Housing and Homelessness Data Reporting Solution (HHDRS) system, Apricot 360, a secure, web-based cloud platform. HHDRS does not have case management functionally, necessitating the continued need for the Home Safe Reporting Module.

On November 25, 2025, the Purchasing Manager approved the sole source for this agreement. The services were procured via sole source because of proficiencies gained through extensive use, training and business processes developed centering around system functionality. Extensive re-training and process development costs in both time and money would be required to implement a new system. JUMP Technology Services works closely with CDSS to ensure that appropriate data elements are captured, and automation of required state reports aligns with required reporting guidance. In 2015, Kings was one of the first counties to implement LEAPS. By 2021, the number of counties utilizing LEAPS had grown to 48, and by 2026, the system is used by 54 of the 58 California counties.

On April 1, 2021, the Board approved the LEAPS Software Agreement 21-027 with JUMP Technology Services, effective from April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2026. The matter being brought before the Board is to seek approval to enter into a five-year agreement with JUMP Technology Services for continued access to the LEAPS system, which includes access to the Home Safe Reporting Module, retroactively effective from April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2031. The current agreement is retroactive due to the rigorous review process, including additional negotiations for meeting insurance requirements related to cyber liability, clarification/modification of the umbrella policy, professional liability and additional insured. Additionally, it was determined that this agreement does not fall within the union noticing requirements of Assembly Bill 339.

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The Agreement has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel and Risk as to form.

THE ATTACHMENT IS ON FILE WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD AND CAN BE LOCATED ON OUR WEBSITE AT:

<https://www.countyofkingsca.gov/departments/board-of-supervisors/calendar-agenda-and-action-summary>



COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Department of Public Health – Rose Mary Rahn/Troy Hommerding
SUBJECT: GRANT APPLICATION FOR SOLID WASTE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

SUMMARY:

Overview:

The Department of Public Health’s Environmental Health Services Division is the designated Local Enforcement Agency for solid waste in Kings County. The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) is accepting applications from counties for the Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) Grant Program. Similar grants have been received every year since 1992.

Recommendation:

- a. Adopt a Resolution authorizing submission of a grant application to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery for the Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency Grant Program;
- b. Authorize the Director of Public Health to execute all necessary documents to implement the grant, effective upon award through the grant term.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no impact to the County General Fund. The grant revenue of \$19,597 is included in the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Requested Budget in Budget Unit 411500 – Environmental Health Services.

BACKGROUND:

For Fiscal Year 2026-27, a LEA grant of approximately \$19,597 is available from CalRecycle. The funds would be used for personnel, equipment, and training costs associated with implementation of the county solid waste program, as required by CalRecycle. Of the total grant amount, \$16,097 would be allocated to personnel expenses to help defer the cost of performing the minimum number of onsite inspections required per year, which is 104. Additionally, the grant will help defer the cost of response to solid waste related complaints of illegal dumping.

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BOARD ACTION:

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: _____ OTHER: _____

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted
on _____, 2026.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By _____, Deputy.

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\$3,000 would be allocated to costs associated with training such as travel expenses, and \$500 would be allocated to equipment costs such as personal protective equipment (PPE), boots, high visibility vests, gloves, eye protection, etc.

The Resolution has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING
CALRECYCLE SOLID WASTE
ENFORCEMENT GRANT APPLICATION /

Resolution No. _____

WHEREAS, funds totaling \$1.5 million have been established by Public Resources Code section 43230, from which grants are available from the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for Local Enforcement Agencies to support solid waste facilities permit and inspection programs;

WHEREAS, the Kings County Public Health Department's Division of Environmental Health Services is the designated Local Enforcement Agency for solid waste in Kings County; and

WHEREAS, CalRecycle advised that Kings County is eligible for a grant of approximately \$19,597 for the 2026-27 fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Kings County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Director of Public Health to submit all necessary grant documents, including but not limited to application submission, acceptance of grant funding, reporting and requests for payment, grant adjustments, and close out procedures, with CalRecycle for the purposes of securing grant funds and to implement and carry out the purposes specified in the application and agreement.

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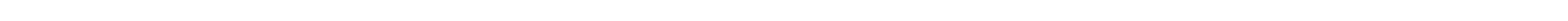
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The foregoing resolution was adopted upon motion by Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ at a regular meeting held on the ___ day of _____, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors
NOES: Supervisors
ABSENT: Supervisors
ABSTAIN: Supervisors

Rusty Robinson,
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors
County of Kings, State of California

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Board of Supervisors, this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Catherine Venturella, Clerk of said Board



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AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Department of Public Health – Rose Mary Rahn
SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS TO THE KINGS COUNTY AMBULANCE COMMISSION
SUMMARY:

Overview:

Established in 1995, the Kings County Ambulance Commission (KCAC) created the Exclusive Operating Area for Emergency Ambulance Services and Advanced Life Support (paramedic) Ambulance Services. KCAC serves in an advisory capacity, providing oversight of the current provider, American Ambulance (AA), evaluating liquidated damages, and recommending adjustments to performance and contract terms

Recommendation:

Re-appoint Cecilio Velasco, Edward Rij, Daniel Perkins, Matthew Rowe and Nate Ferrier to continue serving on the Kings County Ambulance Commission.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no impact to the County General Fund with the recommended action.

BACKGROUND:

The mission of KCAC is to over see the performance of American Ambulance within Kings County. KCAC is responsible for monitoring AA’s compliance with contractual obligations and established standards, reviewing and acting on penalties and appeals, and providing recommendations on contract amendments and rate adjustments. Its advisory role also includes addressing concerns raised by stakeholders.

KCAC is composed of representatives from each of the four participating cities, including Avenal, Corcoran, Hanford and Lemoore, along with two County representatives, one hospital representative, and one representative from the Kings County Medical Society, which is a local physical representative. Members are nominated by each respective organization and appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve two-year terms.

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CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By _____, Deputy.

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If approved, the current and recommended appointments for KCAC representatives will be as follows:

Organization	Primary Representative	Term Expiration	Alternate	Term Expiration
City of Avenal	Cecilio Velasco, Chief of Police	June 1, 2028	Edward Rij, Commander	June 1, 2028
City of Corcoran	Margarita Ochoa, Chief of Police	June 1, 2027	Pedro Castro, Police Captain	June 1, 2027
City of Hanford	Daniel Perkins, Fire Chief	June 1, 2028	Matthew Rowe, Deputy Fire Chief	June 1, 2028
City of Lemoore	Michael Kendall, Chief of Police	June 1, 2027	Matthew Smith, Lieutenant	June 1, 2027
Kings County	Nate Ferrier, Kings County Sheriff	June 1, 2028	Vacant	N/A
Kings County	John Chamberlin, Fire Chief	June 1, 2027	Matt San Filippo, Fire Battalion Chief	N/A
Local Hospital	Vacant	N/A	Vacant	N/A
Local Physician	Vacant	N/A	Vacant	N/A



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AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Sheriff's Office – Dave Putnam

SUBJECT: LIVE SCAN MACHINE PURCHASE

SUMMARY:

Overview:

Corcoran Police Department needs to replace one live scan machine that is used to conduct public fingerprinting services. Their current machine is no longer operable and has reached end-of-life.

Recommendation:

Authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase a live scan machine for the Corcoran Police Department.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no impact to the General Fund. The one-time cost for the machine is \$39,414 which includes installation, on-site training, freight and applicable taxes. The purchase will come directly from Fund 600031, Cal-ID Fingerprint \$1 Department of Motor Vehicles Fund. Currently, this fund has a balance of \$317,829. Oversight of this fund belongs to the Remote Access Network Board (RAN), and the asset will belong to Corcoran Police Department therefore no Budget and Appropriation and Transfer form is not required.

BACKGROUND:

The RAN Board, as set forth in California Penal Code sections 11112.1-11112.7, shall determine the placement of RAN equipment (i.e. operation of automated fingerprint identification systems) within the County, and coordinate acceptance, delivery and installation of equipment. California counties receive Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) revenue through a surcharge on vehicle registrations, established by Senate Bill 720 (California Vehicle Code section 9250.19). This revenue is designed to fund local RAN boards, which enhance law enforcement's capacity for automated mobile/fixed identification, including fingerprinting and photo systems.

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CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By _____, Deputy.

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In April 2026, the Corcoran Police Department's existing live scan machine became non-operable, and they were no longer able to provide fingerprint services. The Corcoran Police Department is the only live scan provider in the city meaning that Corcoran residents are currently having to drive to other cities for fingerprinting services. The replacement machine is anticipated to cost \$39,414 and this purchase was approved by the RAN Board at their May 4, 2026 meeting.



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AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Administration – Kyria Martinez
California Public Finance Authority – Caitlin Lanctot

SUBJECT: APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF QUALIFIED 501(C)(3) BONDS FOR A
RENTAL SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY

SUMMARY:

Overview:

Section 147(f)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 requires that, in order for interest on such obligations to be excluded from gross income to investors for federal income tax purposes, the applicable elected representatives of the host governmental unit must approve the issuance of debt. This approval process is referred to as a TEFRA hearing, pursuant to the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1983, the regulations for which were promulgated under the Tax Code changes of 1986.

Recommendation:

- a. Conduct a Public Hearing under Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code regarding the proposed issuance of tax-exempt obligations by the California Public Finance Authority;
- b. Adopt a Resolution approving the financing and the issuance of up to \$270,000,000 in qualified 501(c)(3) bonds by the California Public Finance Authority for Sonoma TCDF, LLC., for a rental senior living community.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no impact to the County General Fund. The County’s approval bears no financial obligation or liability but serves as a public acknowledgement of the facilities to be financed by the host jurisdiction.

BACKGROUND:

The California Public Finance Authority (CalPFA) is a political subdivision of the State of California

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on _____, 2026.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By _____, Deputy.

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established under the Joint Exercise of Powers Act for the purpose of issuing tax-exempt conduit bonds for public and private entities throughout California. CalPFA was formed by Kings County and the Housing Authority of Kings County, California. CalPFA is empowered to promote economic, cultural, and community development opportunities that create temporary and permanent jobs, affordable housing, community infrastructure, and improve the overall quality of life in local communities.

Sonoma TCDF, LLC (the Borrower) has requested that CalPFA issue qualified 501(c)(3) bonds in an amount not to exceed \$270,000,000 to finance or reimburse the costs of the acquisition, construction, expansion, remodeling, renovation, improvement, furnishing, and/or equipping of a rental senior living community to be located at 376 Shiloh Road in Windsor, California (the Project).

A public hearing for the proposed financing is being held, as required by federal law. The Board of Supervisors, as the applicable elected representatives of the host governmental unit, must approve the issuance of the obligations to satisfy TEFRA requirements.

The proposed obligations would be repaid solely from amounts received pursuant to the terms and provisions of the financing agreements to be executed by the borrower. The County would not be a party to the financing agreements. The obligations would not be secured by any form of taxation or any obligation of either the County or CalPFA. Neither would the obligations represent or constitute a general obligation of the County or CalPFA. The borrower must indemnify CalPFA, including the County. All legal documents will contain clear disclaimers that the obligations are not obligations of the County or the CalPFA but are paid only from funds provided by the borrower.

As announced in the published notice, this hearing is an opportunity for all interested persons to speak or to submit written comments concerning the proposal to issue the obligations and the nature of the facilities to be financed.

Participation from the County will not impact the County's appropriations limits and will not constitute any type of indebtedness by the County. Once the County holds the required public hearing and adopts the required resolution following the public hearing, no other participation of the County in the actions of the CalPFA or in the financing will be required.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF KINGS APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE
CALIFORNIA PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY OF ONE OR
MORE SERIES OF ITS BONDS, FROM TIME TO TIME
PURSUANT TO A PLAN OF FINANCE, IN AN AGGREGATE
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$270,000,000, FOR THE
PURPOSE OF FINANCING OR REIMBURSING THE COSTS OF
ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, EXPANSION, REMODELING,
RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, FURNISHING, AND/OR
EQUIPPING OF A RENTAL SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY FOR
SONOMA TCDF, LLC AND CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS
RELATING THERETO

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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WHEREAS, Sonoma TCDF, LLC (the "Borrower"), the sole member of which is Trilogy Community Development Foundation, Inc., an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code") and a Florida not for profit corporation, has requested that the California Public Finance Authority (the "Authority") provide for the issuance of its bonds, including qualified 501(c)(3) bonds as defined in Section 145 of Code, for a rental senior living community, in one or more series issued from time to time pursuant to a plan of finance, including any bonds issued to refund such bonds, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$270,000,000 (the "Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the Borrower intends to use all of the proceeds of the Bonds, together with certain other funds, to (1) finance or reimburse the costs of acquisition, construction, expansion, remodeling, renovation, improvement, furnishing, and/or equipping of a rental senior living community to be located at 376 Shiloh Road, Windsor, California (the "Facility"); (2) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Bonds; (3) pay capitalized interest on the Bonds; (4) fund one or more debt service reserves with respect to the Bonds; and (5) fund related working capital costs (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Facility will be owned by the Borrower; and

WHEREAS, the Facility will be located within the County of Sonoma; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is a joint powers authority created by the County of Kings (the County") and the Housing Authority of Kings County and located in the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Code, the issuance of the Bonds by the Authority must be approved by the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County (the "Board of Supervisors") is the elected legislative body of the County and is the applicable elected representative under Section 147(f) of the Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Code, the Board of Supervisors has, following notice duly given, through the Authority, held a public hearing regarding the issuance of the Bonds, and now desires to approve the issuance of the Bonds by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors understands that its actions in holding this public hearing and in approving this Resolution do not obligate the County in any manner for payment of the principal, interest, fees or any other costs associated with the issuance of the Bonds, and said Board of Supervisors expressly conditions its approval of this Resolution on that understanding.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS HEREBY RESOLVES THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors hereby approves the issuance of the Bonds by the Authority, from time to time pursuant to a plan of finance, for the purposes of financing the Project. It is the purpose and intent of the Board of Supervisors that this Resolution constitute approval of the issuance of the Bonds by the Authority for the purpose of Section 147(f) of the Code by the applicable elected representative of the governmental unit having jurisdiction over the area in which the Authority is located.

Section 2. The officers of the Board of Supervisors are hereby authorized and directed, jointly and severally, to do any and all things and execute and deliver any and all documents, certificates and other instruments which they deem necessary or advisable in order to carry out, give effect to and comply with the terms and intent of this Resolution and the financing transaction approved hereby. Any actions heretofore taken by such officers are hereby ratified and approved.

Section 3. The Board of Supervisors expressly conditions its approval of this Resolution on its understanding that the County shall have no obligation whatsoever to pay any principal, interest, fees or any other costs associated with the Authority's issuance of the Bonds for the financing of the Project.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

The foregoing resolution was adopted upon motion by Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of May, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors
NOES: Supervisors
ABSENT: Supervisors
ABSTAIN: Supervisors

Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors
County of Kings, State of California

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand this 19th day of May, 2026.

Clerk of said Board of Supervisors



COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Administration – Kyria Martinez/Alex C. Walker

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES MEDI-CAL COUNTY INMATE PROGRAM AGREEMENTS

SUMMARY:

Overview:

The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is the state agency responsible for administering the Medi-Cal County Inmate Program (MCIP). Entering into an agreement for the MCIP will allow the County to seek reimbursements from the State of California for inmate in-patient hospital stays. Before the Board are two agreements, the Medi-Cal County Inmate Program Participation Agreement 26-MCIPKINGS-16 and the Medi-Cal County Inmate Program Agreement for Administrative Services 26-60121.

Recommendation:

- a. Approve the Medi-Cal County Inmate Program Participation Agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services for the Medi-Cal County Inmate Program effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029;
- b. Approve the Medi-Cal County Inmate Program Agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029.

Fiscal Impact:

For the Participation Agreement, there is no impact to the County General Fund. This agreement permits the County to voluntarily participate in MCIP. By participating in the MCIP program, Medi-Cal can pay for some or all offsite costs for Medi-Cal eligible County inmates, resulting in savings to the County General Fund. For the Agreement for Administrative Services, the maximum payable amount that the County shall be obligated to pay during the agreement term shall not exceed \$15,368. The specific

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BOARD ACTION:

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: _____ OTHER: _____

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted
on _____, 2026.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By _____, Deputy.

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INMATE PROGRAM AGREEMENTS**

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breakdown is; \$4,734 for July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027; \$5,110 for July 1, 2027 through June 30, 2028; and \$5,524 for July 1, 2028 through June 30, 2029. These costs are shared between four County departments and the proportional share is as follows: Kings County Sheriff's Office in Budget Unit 221500 – Assembly Bill (AB) 109 (27% of cost) and Budget Unit 223000 – Sheriff Detention Facility (40% of cost), Probation Department in Budget Unit 233000 – Juvenile Treatment Center (5% of cost), Public Health Department in Budget Unit 416000 – Public Health Services (14% of cost), and Behavioral Health Department in Budget Unit 420100 – Kings County Mental Health Program (14% of cost).

BACKGROUND:

Federal law prohibits claiming Medicaid/Medi-Cal funds for healthcare services provided to inmates residing in correctional facilities, juvenile and adult. There is an exception to this federal prohibition when an inmate receives inpatient services at a medical facility located off the grounds of the correctional facility for an expected stay of more than 24 hours, and the inmate is found to be Medicaid eligible. MCIP makes federal financial participation available for medical care provided to Medi-Cal eligible County inmates. By participating in the program, the County is able to obtain budgetary savings for the medical care provided to its Medi-Cal eligible inmates. These savings occur to the County because the federal government, through Medi-Cal, provides eligible inmates Medi-Cal funding for eligible medical services received.

The MCIP allows for the following:

Adult County Inmate Program (ACIP): Provides Medi-Cal allowable inpatient hospital services, including inpatient psychiatric services, and physician services provided during the inpatient hospital service stay of adult inmates in county correctional facilities who are determined eligible for Medi-Cal. Therefore, it relieves the County of all or a portion of the cost of medical services provided.

Juvenile County Ward Program (JCWP): Provides Medi-Cal allowable inpatient hospital services, including inpatient psychiatric services and physician services, of juvenile inmates in county correctional facilities who are determined eligible for Medi-Cal. Therefore, it relieves the County of all or a portion of the cost of medical services provided.

MCIP is voluntary program that counties have the option to participate in by entering into an agreement with DHCS. The purpose of an MCIP agreement is to establish the amounts needed to satisfy each county's responsibility to reimburse DHCS for the nonfederal share of MCIP service costs incurred by DHCS.

The purpose of the Participation Agreement is to permit the County to voluntarily participate in MCIP as a provider of acute inpatient hospital services and inpatient psychiatric services. These services are provided to juvenile inmates who are admitted as inpatients in a medical institution off the grounds of the correctional facility, and who, but for their institutional status as inmates, are otherwise eligible for Medi-Cal benefits. The Participation Agreement sets out responsibilities relative to the County's participation in the MCIP. Under the Program Agreement, the County shall compensate DHCS for the County's apportioned share of the non-federal share of MCIP services listed in Article VII, as required by California Welfare and Institutions Code sections 14053.7 and 14053.8, California Government Code sections 26605.6, 26605.7, and 26605.8, and California Penal Code 5072, within 60 days of receipt of an invoice from DHCS. DHCS shall submit an invoice to the County on a quarterly basis.

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The purpose of the Agreement for Administrative Services is to reimburse DHCS for the administrative costs associated with the MCIP, as further described in California Welfare and Institutions Code sections 14053.7 and 14053.8, California Penal Code section 5072, 42 United States Code (U.S.C.) section 1396d(a)(30)(a). The Agreement for Administrative Services is a three-year contract. At the beginning of each calendar year, counties have the opportunity to inform DHCS of their intent to continue participation in MCIP for the upcoming State Fiscal Year (SFY) by completing a MCIP Letter of Intent (LOI). Administration completed the LOI for SFY 2026-29 on February 11, 2026. By completing the LOI, DHCS prepared the two agreements before the Board for consideration.

On August 13, 2019, the Board approved participation in the MCIP in SFY 2019-20 for the term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 under Agreement 19-96165. On June 16, 2020, the Board approved participation in the MCIP in SFY 2020-23 for the term of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 under Agreement 20-MCIPKINGS-16. On March 28, 2023, the Board approved participation in the MCIP in SFY 2023-26 for the term of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 under Agreement 23-MCIPKINGS-16. This is the latest and current agreement with DHCS, that is set to expire on June 30, 2026.

MCIP is voluntary, and the County may choose whether to continue to participate in SFY 2026-29. By participating in the MCIP, services to Medi-Cal eligible County inmates are reimbursable, resulting in savings to the General Fund. If the County does not participate in MCIP or does not abide by the terms of the agreements, the County remains responsible for arranging for and paying for medical care for its MCIP eligible beneficiaries.

The Agreements have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel and Risk as to form.

THE ATTACHMENT IS ON FILE WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD AND CAN BE LOCATED ON OUR WEBSITE AT:

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COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney

SUBJECT: MONTHLY REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S ACTIONS

SUMMARY:

Overview:

Staff will report any actions taken by the Planning Commission during the most recent meeting.

Recommendation:

Accept the monthly report of Planning Commission's actions from their May 11, 2026 meeting.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

BACKGROUND:

At a special meeting held Monday, May 11, 2026, the Kings County Planning Commission held a meeting and any actions taken will be reported to the Board by the Director of Community Development Agency.

BOARD ACTION:

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: _____ OTHER: _____

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CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk of the Board

By _____, Deputy.



COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

GOVERNMENT CENTER HANFORD, CALIFORNIA 93230 (559) 852-2362
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AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Public Works Department – Michelle Speer/Mitchel Cabrera
SUBJECT: HOUSTON AVENUE AT CROSS CREEK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT
PROEJCT

SUMMARY:

Overview:

Through the Request for Proposals (RFP) process the Public Works Department retained Dokken Engineering, Inc., to prepare Plans, Specifications & Estimate (PS&E) package as well as the environmental clearance and right-of-way (RW) acquisition services for the Houston Avenue at Cross Creek Bridge Replacement Project. The project consists of the replacement of the bridge structure damaged during the 2023 storms (disaster number CA23-3). The PS&E package for construction of the Houston Avenue at Cross Creek bridge (bridge number 45C0067) has been prepared. The new structure will consist of a single span bridge with a post-tension reinforced concrete slab supported on driven piles, reconstruction of both roadway approaches is necessary to fit the new vertical alignments. The project will also include installation of rock-slope protection along the banks.

Recommendation:

- a. Approve the Plans and Specifications for the Houston Avenue at Cross Creek Bridge Replacement project;
- b. Authorize the Public Works Department to advertise the project;
- c. Adopt the budget change. (4/5 vote required)

Fiscal Impact:

The engineer's estimate for construction is \$7,911,800 (the construction estimate includes at 15% contingency due to material cost variations). Other project expenses will include construction engineering services consisting of materials testing and special inspections, cultural resources monitoring by the Tachi Yokut Tribe, construction staking and surveying, biology resources monitoring

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and surveying, construction and resident engineer management and archeological services as needed based on project discoveries. The department estimates a total expense for construction engineering services of up to 15% of the construction cost or \$1,186,770, bringing the project total to \$9,098,570. Construction for project will be funded by General Fund Reserves, with future possible reimbursement from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) – Emergency Relief Program at a ratio of 88.53% federal and 11.47% local match. The project will also utilize Caltrans earmark funding allocated to the Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) and ultimately awarded to Kings County for this project in the amount of \$243,790. One condition of the funding from KCAG is that a local match be provided, in the amount of \$27,963 for the construction phase, that will be paid from General Fund Reserves. The balance of \$8,826,817 to complete construction of this project will be funded from General Fund Reserves.

BACKGROUND:

In early 2023 the Houston Avenue at Cross Creek Bridge (BR#45C-0067) experienced damage in the form of settlement due to the high flows of water from the 2023 winter storms (Disaster Declaration CA23-3) which led to the immediate closure of the bridge by the County. Subsequently, Caltrans performed a field inspection of the bridge structure and indicated the structure to be unsuitable for any loads and, through a resolution, formally closed the bridge.

Immediately after the disaster, CalOES and FEMA were notified of the disaster and performed site inspections with County staff. However, it was indicated that Houston Avenue is classified as a major collector and as such considered a Federal Aid Route. Federal Aid Routes seeking Emergency Relief funding are submitted to Caltrans Emergency Relief Program, who subsequently forwards any claims to FHWA for approval. In response to the emergency declaration CA23-3, the Department of Public Works submitted ten (10) Damage Assessment Forms (DAFs) to Caltrans with one DAF submitted for the Houston Avenue at Cross Creek bridge replacement project. Caltrans and FHWA have approved the original DAF and a subsequent revised DAF form. A subsequent revision will be prepared and resubmitted by the department once bids are opened for the project to capture any additional fund needs. A revision to the DAF is only required if the total construction cost exceeds 20 percent of the latest approved DAF.

Once the DAF is approved, permanent repair projects submitted through the emergency relief program follow the same steps, except for preliminary engineering, as other federally funded projects which include preliminary design, environmental clearance, right of way, utility relocations, final design, construction and construction engineering as applicable. For permanent repair projects submitted through the emergency relief program, preliminary engineering can start before receiving an Authorization to Proceed from Caltrans through the issuance of the Caltrans E-76. Caltrans E-76 is a document issued by FHWA and Caltrans that formally authorizes local agencies to move forward with work on the different phases of the project. Projects initially receive an E-76 for preliminary engineering for work consisting of developing the design for the project, conducting environmental technical studies, identifying utility impacts, geotechnical investigations, topographic surveys etc., during the preliminary phase environmental clearance is achieved through the issuance of the NEPA determination by Caltrans (different levels of NEPA clearance exist depending on the project, location and environment). Once the NEPA determination is obtained, local agencies can move forward with final design, obtaining any necessary permits and can seek authorization to move to the right of way phase to acquire any right of way, easements or permissions to enter permits as necessary depending on the project. Right of way

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is completed once the right of way certification is received by Caltrans, in some instances the project can proceed without having schedule impacts by the use of possession and use agreements that allow the project to progress to construction without having final compensation set and to obtain the right of way certification. After receiving the right of way certification, obtaining any necessary permits from regulatory agencies and completing the final design for the project, the local agency can request authorization to proceed to construction.

The Emergency Relief Program provides funding to state and local agency for federal-aid routes and bridges damaged during natural disasters across the United States. The program allocates \$100 million nationwide which makes the program severely underfunded with funding allocated to projects on a first come, first served basis. Projects that received the E-76 for a particular phase enter the queue to receive funding appropriation. Until funds get appropriated, the local agencies are responsible for upfronting the costs of the project. Once funds get appropriated, local agencies can submit reimbursement invoices to Caltrans. Hower, due to the underfunding nature of the program, a timeline for funding appropriation cannot be provided to local agencies.

Currently the project has obtained the E-76 for the preliminary engineering and right of way phases and it is in the queue to receive federal funding appropriation for preliminary engineering and right of way once emergency relief funds become available. The public works department has also submitted a request for authorization to Caltrans to receive the E-76 for construction and construction engineering. Staff have been in regular communication with Caltrans regarding the issuance of the E-76 for construction and construction engineering and expect a response on the application in the coming week.

The public works department is still working on finalizing the streambed alteration agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) to incorporate any measures with the project. Based on previous discussions with CDFW, the department does not anticipate additional measures to be included and direction from CDFW is expected by May 15, 2026. Also, the department is seeking authorization to advertise so that the project is readily available to publish for contractors to submit bids as soon as the streambed alteration agreement with CDFW is completed and Caltrans authorization E-76 is received. The county will enter the queue for federal reimbursement for the construction phase once the E-76 is received.

As mentioned above, the plans and specifications for the project are 100 percent complete and the Right of Way (RW) certification has been obtained through the use of Possession and Use agreements with the property owner. It should be noted that negotiations for final compensation with the property owner will still be ongoing. The Possession and Use agreements are "early access" agreements which allow the agency to move forward with the project with negotiations for compensation continue. The total compensation under the Possession and Use agreements was \$39,700. Final compensation for the project RW will continue with the property owners during the course of the project and the funds provided as part of the Possession and Use Agreements will be deducted from the final negotiated value.

The Department is following an aggressive schedule to get this project to construction as soon as possible and is targeting a construction start date from middle of July to beginning of August 2026 and anticipates a total of approximately 74 working days for completion of the project.

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The ability of the County to move forward with the construction phase is critical to the timing of potential FHWA reimbursement. Due to the flooding in 2023, 77 projects have been submitted within the District and FHWA funding is allocated as a “first come, first served” basis. The Department has submitted a request for construction authorization to Caltrans alongside this request to advertise the project to expedite the project. Once approval is received by Caltrans through the issuing of an E-74 the project will enter the queue for federal reimbursement under the Emergency Relief Program. The Department will be able to submit progress reimbursement requests to Caltrans for the Earmark Repurposed funds discussed in the Fiscal Impact section.

THE ATTACHMENT IS ON FILE WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD AND CAN BE LOCATED ON OUR WEBSITE AT:

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(A) New Appropriation

Expenditures:						
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Accum. Capital Outlay	Building Projects	Infrastructure	200000	700000	94007	9,098,570
TOTAL						9,098,570

Funding Sources:

FUND NAME	DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT NAME	FUND NO.	DEPT. NO.	ACCOUNT NO.	APPROPRIATION AMOUNT
Accum. Capital Outlay	Building Projects	Revenue Transfer In	200000	700000	89000	243,790
TOTAL						243,790

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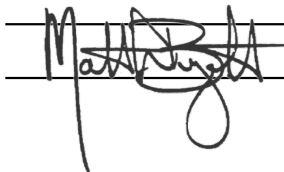
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General	General	Desig. Econ. Uncertain.	100000	71011		8,854,780
TOTAL						8,854,780

Transfer To:

FUND NAME	DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT NAME	FUND NO.	DEPT. NO.	ACCOUNT NO.	Amount to be Transferred In
Accum. Capital Outlay	Building Projects	Revenue Transfer In	200000	700000	89000	8,854,780
TOTAL						8,854,780

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Department Head Approval



Administration Approval

Board Approval

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AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Administration – Kyria Martinez/Veronica Mello

SUBJECT: GRAND JURY PAYMENTS AND FEES

SUMMARY:

Overview:

Pursuant to Sections 890 and 890.1 of the California Penal Code, grand jurors are entitled to a fee of \$15 per day for each day of attendance, along with mileage reimbursement at the rate established by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for each mile traveled. By law, these payments are made from the County General Fund. Kings County had previously authorized a higher daily stipend of \$25 per day for grand juror attendance since 2023 when the Grand Jury negotiated an increased rate from \$15 to \$25 per day, historically the Grand Jury per meeting rate has always been the statutory requirement amount of \$15 per day. Staff are recommending an adjustment to align more closely with the statutory rate and practices of comparable counties.

Recommendation:

Adopt a Resolution establishing grand juror compensation at \$20 per day for each day of attendance, not to exceed \$350 per calendar month, plus mileage reimbursement at the applicable Internal Revenue Service.

Fiscal Impact:

Historically, the stipend was \$15 per day for each day of attendance as a grand juror. Starting July 1, 2024 the stipend was set at \$25 per day for each day of attendance as a grand juror. The proposed stipend rate of \$20 per day will be included in the Grand Jury’s Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Recommended Budget in the amount of approximately \$125,000. Grand Jury adopted budget has been the following for the past few years: FY 20/21 \$113,789, FY 21/22 \$97,749, FY 22/23 \$ 108,237, FY 23/24 \$117,896, FY 24/25 \$139,190. The Grand Jury’s budget has remained at or slightly under budget for the past four fiscal years. However, in FY 24/25, following the close of the fiscal year and final accounting of expenditures, actual expenditures totaled \$171,620, which was \$32,430 over budget.

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By _____, Deputy.

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BACKGROUND:

In 2023, staff conducted an analysis of compensation rates among comparable counties in good faith due to multiple requests from the Grand Jury to increase the fee per day rate. Based on that analysis, the Budget approved in Fall of 2024 included an increase to the stipend, raising it to \$25 per day beginning in July 1, 2024.

On October 4, 2016, the Board adopted Resolution Number 16-068, establishing a grand juror stipend of \$15 per day for attendance, plus milage reimbursement.

As the County continues to strengthen and update its financial practices, formal documentation, such as a resolution or agreement approved by the governing body for any agreement or monies exchange within the county it was discovered that although the \$25 per day stipend was included and approved through the County's budget process, a formal authorizing resolution had not been adopted.

To address this oversight, the Board subsequently adopted a resolution on October 28, 2025, formally approving the stipend increase, through Resolution Number 25-079 and Ordinance Number 718. The ordinance was updated to reflect payment of fees to be set via Board Resolution. Also mentioned within the staff report and verbal presentation, County staff would evaluate the compensation rates among comparable counties and bring forward an updated analysis in the next year, 2026.

The subsequent review was conducted in Spring of 2026 and found that most comparable counties provide compensation at or near the statutory rate of \$15 per day. Fifty percent of the counties surveyed have the statutory rate at \$15 per meeting. While only one of the ten counties survey have the day rate at \$25 an hour, with a cap. These comparable counties have been identified in recent salary compensation studies as the most comparable counties and serve as the basis for ongoing studies. Based on this updated analysis and in consideration of cost containment, staff recommends a \$20 per day stipend, with a monthly cap of \$350. Although the current request reflects a reduction, it aligns more closely with comparable counties and still represents a larger increase than the Grand Jury has historically received. The table below highlights the stipend rate for each comparable county. Also, the only county from the counties surveyed containing a per month cap amount is Tulare County.

<u>Fee</u>	<u>Fresno</u>	<u>Kern</u>	<u>Madera</u>	<u>Merced</u>	<u>Nevada</u>	<u>Stanislaus</u>	<u>Sutter</u>	<u>Tulare</u>	<u>Tuolumne</u>	<u>Yuba</u>
Regular Meeting/Day	\$15	\$20 (am session)	\$20	\$15	\$20	\$15	\$17	\$25	\$15	\$15
Committee Meeting		\$10 (pm session)	\$10							

If approved, the revised compensation structure will take effect July 1, 2026 and is included in the Recommended Budget. The Grand Jury has been notified of the proposed change.

The Resolution has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING
SCHEDULE OF MEETING STIPENDS
FOR GRAND JURY MEMBERS/

Resolution No. _____

WHEREAS, California Penal Code section 890 provides that members of the Grand Jury shall be paid fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per day for each day's attendance and allows the Board of Supervisors of any County to, by ordinance, increase the compensation and mileage reimbursement above the statutory minimums; and

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2016, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 16-068, which set forth a schedule of expense reimbursement and meeting stipends for Grand Jury members, Personnel Appeals Board Members, Planning Commissioners, Juvenile Justice Commissioners, and Delinquency Prevention Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 16-068 specified that members of the Grand Jury would be reimbursed for attendance as grand jurors and mileage for attending court as a grand juror in accordance at a rate of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per day, in accordance with Penal Code section 890; and

WHEREAS, for fiscal year 2024-2025, the County of Kings increased the rate of pay for grand juror members for attendance and mileage to twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day; and

WHEREAS, as of the date of this Resolution, the County has adopted Ordinance No, 718. adding Chapter 2, Article VII to the Kings County Code of Ordinances and which grants the Board of Supervisors the authority to set the amount of compensation for grand jurors via resolution, pursuant to Penal Code section 890; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kings recognizes the valuable public service performed by grand jurors and desires to provide fair and reasonable compensation in accordance with its authority under state law and set the rate of payment to grand jurors for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kings, as follows:

1. Pursuant to the authority granted under California Penal Code section 890 and Kings County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VII, for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, members of the Grand Jury impaneled in County of Kings shall receive a daily stipend of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per day of actual attendance for grand jury service and mileage reimbursement applicable to County employees for each mile actually traveled in attending court as a grand juror with a monthly cap at \$350 per month

2. This Resolution supersedes Resolution No. 16-068 and any other prior Resolutions only to the extent that such Resolutions set compensation or mileage rates for grand jurors inconsistent with the terms set forth herein.

3. The rates established by this Resolution shall be in effect as of the effective date of Ordinance No. 718.

The foregoing resolution was adopted upon motion by Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors
NOES: Supervisors
ABSENT: Supervisors
ABSTAIN: Supervisors

Rusty Robinson,
Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors
County of Kings, State of California

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Catherine Venturella, Clerk
Board of Supervisors, County of Kings



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AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Administration – Kyria Martinez

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF A HIRING FREEZE

SUMMARY:

Overview:

In preparation for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Recommended Budget there are several assumptions regarding funding levels and cost increases. The County Executive Officer is recommending instituting a hiring freeze.

Recommendation:

Consider authorizing a hiring freeze, effective immediately. Exceptions to the freeze shall only be authorized after approval by the County Administration Office.

Fiscal Impact:

Given the projected FY 2026-27 budget constraints and the resulting proposed reductions recommended, funding for many of the vacant positions in the County has been reduced. If those positions are filled prior to Board adoption of the Final Budget, there could be negative fiscal impacts as well as impacts to the people filling the positions. The County currently has 1,694.51 full-time equivalents (FTE), but are projecting to reduce the amount of FTE by about 40.0 in the FY 2026-27 Recommended Budget. County expenses are heavily anchored by personnel costs. Salaries and benefits have the biggest budget impacts and are among the most difficult to change once in place, with salaries and benefits being about 56.72% of overall General Fund expenditures.

BACKGROUND:

As the County continues development of the FY 2026–27 Recommended Budget, staff has identified significant fiscal challenges requiring immediate corrective action to preserve the County’s long-term financial stability. Development of the County’s budget begins in the Fall, preparing salary and benefit forecasts, training

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CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By _____, Deputy.

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departments on how to develop budgets and estimates, developing budget milestones and strategies, and developing training materials. Administration then provides annual budget training to County staff in January, with budget submissions due by department in February along with the department's estimating where they will end up financially at the end of the current fiscal year. Then, over the course of the next several weeks, Administration meets with departments to understand their requests and also analyzes the state of the County's financial position at the end of the current fiscal year (based on the department's estimates) so that way staff knows what it has to work with going into the new fiscal year. Administration then spends the next few months developing a sound recommendation to bring to the Board taking into account all the competing interest, the department's estimates in the current fiscal year, known and unknown fiscal constraints, and legislative pressures. Staff anticipates bringing the FY 2026-27 Recommended Budget to the Board on June 23, 2026. Rising personnel costs, increasing operational expenditures, reductions in one-time funding sources, and limited revenue growth have created substantial pressure on the County's General Fund and other operating budgets.

County Administration has communicating with Department Heads over the past three fiscal years that beginning in FY 2026–27, the County would begin experiencing more challenging budget trends. With increasing pressure from unfunded mandates, rising operational costs, and growing service demands, the County is projected to enter lean fiscal years that will require careful financial planning and expenditure controls. The last time a Countywide hiring freeze was brought before the Board of Supervisors was in 2018.

Over the last several years, the County has made significant investments in employee compensation, recruitment, retention, operational support, and expanded services. While these investments were necessary and important, current economic conditions and structural budget challenges now require the County to evaluate expenditures carefully and implement temporary cost containment measures.

One of the most immediate and effective tools available to help reduce ongoing expenditures is the implementation of a Countywide hiring freeze. The proposed hiring freeze would temporarily suspend recruitment efforts for vacant and newly vacated positions unless an exception is approved based on operational necessity, public safety impacts, legal mandates, or critical service delivery needs.

The purpose of the hiring freeze is to reduce salary and benefit expenditures, assist departments in meeting budget reduction targets, preserve financial reserves where possible, allow the County time to evaluate long-term organizational and operational needs, and minimize the need for more significant corrective actions in the future.

Under the proposed process, departments seeking to fill a position during the hiring freeze would be required to submit a justification to the County Executive Officer for review.

The hiring freeze is intended to be temporary and will be continuously evaluated as part of the County's ongoing budget monitoring process. The County recognizes the operational impacts this may have on departments and appreciates the collaboration and flexibility of County staff during this challenging fiscal period.

Staff proposes bringing another item in the future once Final budget is completed for consideration should the budget climate change.



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AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Administration – Kyria Martinez/Matthew Boyett

SUBJECT: ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO RESERVES

SUMMARY:

Overview:

In 2015, the County and the Housing Authority of Kings County formed the California Public Finance Authority (CalPFA) through a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) to support economic development, job creation, affordable housing, infrastructure, and community improvement projects. In 2019, the County and Housing Authority also formed the California Community Housing Agency (CalCHA) to issue governmental purpose bonds supporting affordable housing opportunities for low-, moderate-, and middle-income families. The County Board of Supervisors serves as the governing board for both JPAs. Similar organizations exist statewide, though only a limited number operate in this capacity. As part of these financing transactions, the County receives a percentage-based administrative fee. Recently, the Board discussed the allocation of those revenues, and formal Board approval is now required prior to allocating these funds. Staff is recommending that these funds be placed into an interest-bearing reserve account so the funds can generate interest earnings, as the funds were previously held in an account that did not accrue interest.

Recommendation:

- a. Designate deposit from the California Public Finance Authority and a deposit from the California Community Housing Agency as restricted and place the funds in an interest-bearing reserve account;
- b. Adopt the budget change. (4/5 vote required)

Fiscal Impact:

CalPFA and CalCHA receive a percentage of transaction-related fees associated with bond issuances for facilitating financing transactions. As of December 31, 2025, CalPFA’s fund was \$2,259,016 and CalCHA’s fund was \$4,506,925, totaling \$6,765,941. On March 24, 2026, The CalPFA Board of Directors

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approved transferring \$2 million to the Kings County. On the same day, the CalCHA Board of Directors approved transferring \$4 million to the Kings County, bringing the total approved transfers to the Kings County General Fund to \$6 million. Approval of the recommended action will allow \$6 million in revenues to be placed into a designated interest-bearing reserve account, allowing the County to maximize interest earnings. If the funds are not formally allocated and transferred, the revenues would otherwise remain within the County's General Fund and be recognized as unrestricted revenue, where they may be utilized as part of broader County operations and budgetary needs rather than being separately identified for future purposes.

BACKGROUND:

On April 14, 2026, staff presented the Board with various options for the allocation of these funds. The general consensus of the Board was to consider utilizing the revenues toward the Houston Bridge project and/or the County courthouse remodel project. However, given the County's current financial position and broader fiscal uncertainty, staff has not yet brought forward the issuance of debt as Administration continues working through the County's final budget and evaluating the most fiscally prudent approach, including the potential for phasing portions of the courthouse project. Formal action is now required to authorize the deposit and allocation of the funds into the appropriate County reserve account.

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TOTAL						0

Funding Sources:

FUND NAME	DEPT. NAME	ACCOUNT NAME	FUND NO.	DEPT. NO.	ACCOUNT NO.	APPROPRIATION AMOUNT
General	General	Desig. Econ. Uncertain.	100000	71011		2,000,000
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TOTAL						6,000,000

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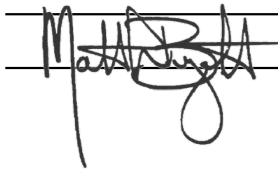
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TOTAL						0

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Administration Approval

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Board Approval

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AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney/Yesenia Kharufeh
SUBJECT: FINAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR THE 2022 KETTLEMAN CITY FIRE ENGINE GRANT

SUMMARY:

Overview:

The County of Kings received a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$1,750,000 in November of 2023 to fund the purchase of a new fire engine for Kings County Fire Department Station Number 9, located in Kettleman City. The project has been completed, and all grant funds have been fully expended.

Recommendation:

- a. Conduct a Public Hearing regarding the status of the County’s 2022 Community Development Block Grant;
- b. Authorize the Community Development Agency Director to sign and submit all required documents to the Department of Housing and Community Development to close out the grant.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no impact to the General Fund. The County received CDBG funding in the amount of \$1,750,000, all of which has been fully expended in accordance with grant requirements.

BACKGROUND:

The County of Kings was notified by letter dated November 7, 2023, of a funding award through the 2022 CDBG program in the amount of \$1,750,000. The funding was awarded for the purchase of a new fire engine to serve Kings County Fire Department Station Number 9 in Kettleman City.

The grant performance period was October 1, 2023, through October 1, 2026. The fire engine was officially completed on January 8, 2026, well within the performance period. All \$1,750,000 in grant funds awarded to this project have been fully expended in compliance with program requirements.

BOARD ACTION:

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: _____ OTHER: _____

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CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By _____, Deputy.



KINGS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Chuck Kinney, Director

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Alejandro Hernandez, Deputy Director – Planning

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May 15, 2026

Jasmine Torres
Department of Housing and Community Development
Financial Assistance Division
651 Bannon Street, Suite 400
Sacramento, CA 95811

RE: County of Kings – CDBG Grant No. 22-CDBG-NH-00054

Dear Jasmine:

A properly noticed public hearing was held on May 12, 2026, to allow citizens of Kings County the opportunity to review and make comments on the accomplishments and closeout of the 22-CDBG-NH-00054 CDBG grant. Enclosed please find the closeout package for this grant, including the following documents:

- Closeout Certification
- Proof of Publication for the Public Hearing held on May 12, 2026
- Agenda and Action Summary for the Public Hearing held on May 12, 2026

If more or other information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact Yesenia Kharufeh of my staff at (559) 852-2675 or Yesenia.kharufeh@co.kings.ca.us.

Sincerely,
Kings County Community Development Agency

Chuck Kinney,
Director



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Sacramento, CA 95811

RE: **CLOSEOUT CERTIFICATION** of CDBG Grant No. 22-CDBG-NH-00054

It is hereby certified that all activities undertaken by the Grantee with funds provided under the above grant agreement have, to the best of my knowledge, been carried out in accordance with the grant agreement; that proper provision has been made by the Grantee for the payment of all costs and claims; that the State of California is under no obligation to make further payment to the Grantee under the grant agreement; and that every statement and amounts set forth in the **attached** final CDBG Financial and Accomplishment Report is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.

Any property acquired in whole or in part with CDBG funds or CDBG Program Income shall be accounted for in accordance with the provisions of Section 7118 and 7104 of the State CDBG regulations pertaining to property management and program income. Please list any property acquired in whole or in part with grant funds or program income expended for the grant or, if applicable, state "none" acquired. Please see Chapter 19, Property Management, in the Grants Management Manual for more detailed instructions.

Note: Future disposition of this property shall be carried out in accordance with Section 7118 of the State CDBG Regulations. Please see CFR 24 Sec. 570.505 Use of real property for instructions.

1. None Acquired	4.
2.	5.
3.	6.

The Grantee shall continue to comply with the State CDBG program income reporting requirements.

All costs incurred subsequent to the most recent annual audit period will be audited at the time the Grantee's next annual audit is conducted in accordance with OMB Circular A-133. The Grantee will resolve any audit findings relating to both the program and financial aspects of the grant. In the event there are any costs which are disallowed by this audit or any subsequent audits which cover CDBG expenditures, and which are sustained by the Department of Housing and Community Development, the amount of such costs shall be returned to HCD.

Date:	Typed Name and Title of Authorized Grantee Representative: Name: Chuck Kinney Title: Com Dev Agency Director	Signature of Authorized Grantee Representative:
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COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

AGENDA ITEM May 19, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney/Noelle Tomlinson
SUBJECT: GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 26-02 FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2024-2032 HOUSING ELEMENT

SUMMARY:

Overview:

The General Plan is the County’s primary planning policy document and includes state-mandated elements that set forth objectives, principles, standards, and goals to guide orderly development. The purpose of the Housing Element is to identify the housing needs of all economic segments of the community and describe the actions the County intends to take to facilitate the preservation and development of adequate housing to meet those needs. State law established requirements for updating Housing Elements on an eight year cycle. The 6th Cycle Housing Element update is for the 2024-2032 planning period.

Recommendation:

- a. Conduct a Public Hearing to consider proposed General Plan Amendment 26-02 to adopt the 2024-2032 Housing Element;
- b. Find that approving General Plan Amendment 26-02 is exempt from environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), and none of the circumstances in Section 15300.2 apply;
- c. Find that General Plan Amendment 26-02 is consistent with the policies of the 2035 Kings County General Plan;
- d. Adopt a Resolution approving General Plan Amendment 26-02.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact with approving General Plan Amendment 26-02 or adopting the 2024-2032 Housing Element.

(Cont’d)

BOARD ACTION:

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED: _____ OTHER: _____

I hereby certify that the above order was passed and adopted
on _____, 2026.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By _____, Deputy.

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Advisory Board Statement:

On May 11, 2026, the Planning Commission received a staff report and conducted a public hearing for General Plan Amendment 26-02. The Planning Commission voted to adopt Resolution 26-05 and recommends that the Board approve General Plan Amendment 26-02 for the 2024-2032 Housing Element. The Planning Commission staff report and Resolution are attached as Exhibit A.

BACKGROUND:

The General Plan is the County's primary planning policy document and includes state-mandated elements that set forth objectives, principles, standards and goals to guide orderly development. The purpose of the Housing Element is to identify the housing needs of all economic segments of the community and describe the actions the County intends to take to facilitate the preservation and development of adequate housing to meet those needs. The County must also address constraints on housing development, develop programs to facilitate housing for special needs groups, and provide a fair housing analysis.

The County's current Housing Element that covers the 2016-2024 planning period was adopted in 2016. State law established requirements for updating Housing Elements on an eight-year cycle. The 2024-2032 planning period is referred to as the 6th Cycle Housing Element, in reference to the five previous updates.

The County and the Cities of Avenal, Corcoran, and Hanford completed a collaborative process in preparing a multijurisdictional Housing Element covering the four jurisdictions. While the multijurisdictional Housing Element includes data, analyses, and general goals and policies covering the County and three cities, each jurisdiction has separate programs that apply only to that jurisdiction. In adopting the Housing Element, no jurisdiction is required to adopt programs that apply to another jurisdiction.

The state legislature has given the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) authority to develop detailed guidelines for the preparation of Housing Elements and to issue statements regarding whether draft Housing Elements substantially comply with the requirements of Government Code Section 65580 et seq (Housing Element law). A finding of substantial compliance by HCD is referred to as Housing Element certification. State law requires each jurisdiction to adopt a certified Housing Element. In addition, several grant funding programs require a certified Housing Element as a prerequisite for eligibility, therefore Housing Element certification increases the County's opportunities to receive grant funding.

Board approval of General Plan Amendment 26-02 would adopt the proposed draft 2024-2032 Housing Element, attached as Exhibit B to Planning Commission Resolution 26-05, as part of the Kings County General Plan. There will be formatting changes only to the proposed draft.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

The approval of General Plan Amendment 26-02 is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA Guidelines), in which none of the circumstances in Section 15300.2 apply. This section states that a project is exempt from CEQA if the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not

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subject to CEQA. Changes proposed by the Housing Element update are technical changes concerning general policy for the implementation of housing policy and there is no possibility that these changes will have a significant effect on the environment by the act of adopting the Housing Element update. In addition, any development projects will be required to undergo individual environmental review determination, and will either be ministerial, categorically exempt, or subject to individual CEQA review.

The Resolution has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

THE ATTACHMENT IS ON FILE WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD AND CAN BE LOCATED ON OUR WEBSITE AT:

<https://www.countyofkingsca.gov/departments/board-of-supervisors/calendar-agenda-and-action-summary>