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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
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County Executive Office
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SUBJECT: Adoption of two Resolutions Dissolving the Farmworker Housing Oversight Committee and the CSA#4 Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION

County Counsel requests adoption of the following:

1. Resolution dissolving the Farmworker Housing Oversight Committee effective immediately; and
2. Resolution dissolving the County Service Area #4 Advisory Committee effective July 1, 2007.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Presently there are two separate committees that function in advisory roles when issues arise involving the three farmworker housing centers overseen by the Napa Valley Housing Authority (the "NVHA"). One is the Farmworker Housing Oversight Committee (the "FHOC"); the other is the County Service Area #4 Advisory Committee (the "CSA#4 Advisory Committee"). The Napa County Housing Authority (the "NCHA") has agreed to assume the responsibility of overseeing the farmworker housing centers relieving the NVHA of that task.

At the March 27, 2007 meeting of the NCHA, the NCHA voted to create a Napa County Housing Commission whose principal purpose would be to provide input to the NCHA regarding the operation of the farmworker housing centers. The Napa County Housing Commission's other principal purpose is to provide advice and counsel the Board of Supervisors regarding the allocation of the proceeds of any annual assessment that may be imposed within County Service Area #4. These assignments of responsibility necessarily mean that the creation of the Napa County Housing Commission has eliminated the need for the continuation of the FHOC. Nor will the continuation of the CSA#4 Advisory Committee be needed once the advisory committee's work is completed relating to the present assessment renewal on or about June 30, 2007.

On April 24, 2007 the ordinance creating the Napa County Housing Commission was adopted. As a result, it is now recommended that the proposed resolutions be adopted which will dissolve the FHOC effective immediately and dissolve the CSA#4 Advisory Committee effective July 1, 2007. The CSA#4 Advisory Committee cannot be dissolved immediately because it is in the final stages of making a mandatory recommendation to the Board of

Supervisors relative to the renewal of the farmworker housing assessment.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The membership of the advisory committees currently in existence are summarized immediately below.

Farmworker Housing Oversight Committee

The FHOC was created by the Board of Supervisors in August of 2000. The committee is comprised of fourteen (14) members as follows: one (1) representative of the Board of Supervisors; one (1) representative for each of the Cities of Napa, American Canyon, Calistoga, St. Helena, and the Town of Yountville; one (1) Napa County Planning Commissioner; one (1) representative of the Farmworker Committee; one (1) representative of the Napa County Farm Bureau; one (1) representative of the Napa Valley Grape Growers' Association; one (1) representative of the Napa Valley Vintners' Association; and three (3) Citizens at Large. Each of the organizations represented may also nominate an alternate member.

County Service Area No. 4 Advisory Committee

The CSA #4 Advisory Committee was created in February of 2002 by the Board of Supervisors for the purpose of advising and counseling the Board on the allocation of assessments collected from CSA #4. The funds generated by CSA #4 are limited to acquiring farmworker housing, building farmworker housing, leasing farmworker housing and funding maintenance or operations of farmworker housing owned or leased by the NVHA or another public agency whose principal purpose is to develop or facilitate the development of farmworker housing in Napa County. The Committee consists of seven (7) members who have demonstrated an interest in developing farmworker housing for farmworkers in Napa County. Five of the members are planted vineyard land owners or agents. Two members are farmworkers.

At the March 27, 2007 NCHA meeting, the Board created a Napa County Housing Commission and directed that two tenants of the farmworker housing centers be appointed to that Commission. One of the principal purposes of the Napa County Housing Commission is to provide advice to the NCHA regarding the operation of the farmworker housing centers. The other principal purpose is to provide advice and counsel the Board of Supervisors regarding the allocation of the proceeds of any annual assessment that may be imposed within County Service Area #4. As a result of these two directives to the newly created Napa County Housing Commission, there is no longer a need for the continuation of the FHOC or CSA#4 Advisory Committees.

On April 24, 2007 the ordinance creating the Napa County Housing Commission was introduced. Included in today's Board of Supervisors agenda under the consent calendar is the second reading and adoption of that ordinance which will officially create the Napa County Housing Commission.

The functions of the FHOC may be transferred immediately upon the creation of the Napa County Housing Commission. On the other hand, the functions of the CSA#4 Committee cannot be transferred immediately because that committee is in the final stages of making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors relative to the farmworker camps assessment renewal which is scheduled for an election in July of 2007. Once the election is completed the functions of the CSA#4 Committee may be transferred to the Housing Commission without adversely affecting the CSA#4 assessment process currently underway.

It is recommended the attached resolutions be adopted dissolving the FHOC immediately and dissolving the CSA#4 Advisory Committee effective July 1, 2007.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A . Resolution dissolving CSA#4 Advisory Committee
- B . Resolution dissolving the FHOC

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Maiko Klieman