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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Nancy Johnson for Lawrance Florin - Director
Housing and Intergovernmental Affairs

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SUBJECT: Public Hearings on County Service Area No. 4 Levy of Assessments and Proposed FY 2015-2016 Budget

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Housing and Intergovernmental Affairs and Auditor-Controller requests the following on behalf of County Service Area No. 4 (CSA No. 4) - Farmworker Housing Assessment District:

1. Open Public Hearing to consider any objections or protests with respect to the proposed levy of assessments for County Service Area No. 4;
2. Close Public Hearing and adopt a resolution authorizing and levying assessments for Fiscal Year 2015-2016;
3. Open Public Hearing to accept testimony on the proposed Fiscal Year 2015-2016 budget for a total appropriation of \$560,783 in Budget Division 28100; and
4. Continue for consideration to June 23, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. for adoption of the recommended budget.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On May 15, 2015, an Engineer's Report was submitted to the Board in compliance with the requirements of the Government Code and Proposition 218. The Board then adopted a resolution declaring the County's intent to levy assessments for County Service Area No. 4 (CSA No. 4) for Fiscal Year 2015-16 and setting a public hearing for June 16, 2015, to consider any protests regarding the proposed assessments. Upon conclusion of the public hearing, the Board may adopt, revise, change, reduce, or modify any proposed assessment. A recommended resolution levying the assessments is attached.

Assuming the assessments are levied, staff requests the Board open the public hearing on the CSA No. 4 proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2015-16, and continue the hearing to June 23, 2015 for final budget adoption, with total appropriations of \$560,783.

PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Open Public Hearing to consider any objections or protests with respect to the proposed assessment for County Service Area No. 4;
2. Staff report;
3. Public Comment;
4. Close Public Hearing;
5. Motion, second, discussion and vote to adopt the resolution levying assessments
6. Open Public Hearing for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget;
7. Staff report;
8. Public Comment;
9. Continue public hearing to June 23, 2015 for consideration and adoption of the recommended budget.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	No
What is the revenue source?	CSA No. 4 assessment, if levied on June 23, 2015.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	None.
Consequences if not approved:	If the recommended budget is not adopted, there will be insufficient revenues to pay for continued operations and planned improvements for farm worker housing centers in Napa County.

Additional Information:

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

In 2002, the Board of Supervisors created County Service No. 4 (CSA No. 4) to provide funding for farm worker housing programs. Revenues for the program come from an assessment on vineyard acreage located within the service area.

On May 19, 2015, an Engineer's Report was submitted to the Board in compliance with the requirements of the Government Code and Proposition 218. The Board then adopted a resolution declaring the County's intent to levy assessments for CSA No. 4 and setting a public hearing for June 16, 2015, to consider any objections or protests to the imposition of the assessments. Upon conclusion of the public hearing, the Board may adopt, revise, change, reduce, or modify any proposed assessment. A recommended resolution levying the assessments in the amount

of \$10 per planted vineyard acre is attached.

The recommended resolution will levy the assessments at the proposed rate, subject to reductions for properties who request and are determined to qualify to receive a full or partial exemption by the Agricultural Commissioner, based on farm worker housing provided by the property owner.

If the Board adopts a resolution levying the assessments, the Board should open the Public Hearing for consideration of the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2015-16 with a total appropriation of \$560,783, and continue the budget hearing to June 23, 2015 for further consideration and adoption. The majority of the appropriations, \$542,283, are used to finance the Housing Authority Farm Worker Centers; the remaining \$18,500 is for legal, engineer and accounting costs for the administration of the assessments.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Resolution Levying Assessment

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan